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issd	Jacob Morton, James Morris & Wm Johnson Esqrs Justices for trying Causes under the £10 Law for one Qrs allowance	£184:16:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for Guard at Goal	£5:10:—
issd	Robt Valentine for Carpenters Work at Cathn & Beekman Slips	£4: 3: 3

[212] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Augt 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman Jacob De laMontagnie Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius Garret Harsen

Assistts

On an Application of Isaac Terboss. Ordered that he be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Liberty Street.

And on the Application of David Walker Ordered that he be permitted to make an *an* Area & to lead a private Drain from his Cellar into the public Drain at White Hall

A Petition of Bernardus Swartwout for an additional Grant of the Soil under the Water of Hudsons River out to West Street was read & granted.

Ordinances for paving the followg Streets were read & passed by the Bd viz^{t}

"That part of Chatham Street or Square (which lies on the East side of the Range of Chatham Street) from the Pavement at James Street to Catharine Street"

"For filling in Magazine Street from Chatham Street to Ann Street"

[213] "For paving of the Street in front of the Exchange Slip from the present pavement in Front Street to the River & the Piers on each side of the said Slip out to the River Also South Street from Whitehall Slip to the Exchange Slip And also the Street on the East side of the White Hall Slip"

"And for paving Washington Street from the New Albany Bason to the Pavement at Wilkins's Lot"

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed firemen viz^{t}
to Engine N^{o} 11 Joseph Powell & John Halsted vice Peter Van Shiver & John Wilkins resigned.

Engine N^{o} 20 Edmund Livingston vice John W Elsworth resigned

Ordered that the Street Committee direct a Survey to be made of front Street from Burling to Beekman Slip & from Beekman to Pecks Slip

Ordered that Thomas Bushfield be appointed a Measurer of Grain

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on acc^{t} towards new Fish Market.....	£600:—:—
iss^{d}	Garret Harsen on Acc^{t}.....	£300:—:—
iss^{d}	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to a Well & Pump Chatham Street	£8: 9:10
iss^{d}	Daniel Kingsland for cleaning out & Repairs to a Well & Pump near Catharine Slip.....	£14: 7: 7
iss^{d}	Robert Valentine for a Bulkhead Peck Slip.....	£186:—:—
iss^{d}	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads.....	£144: 3: 6
iss^{d}	Gabriel Furman for an Iron Stove.....	£4:10:—

[214] The Clerk delivered to the Board Proposals sealed from several Persons for the purchase of the Fees arising from the public Wharfs & Slips in this City for one Year to commence the 1st day of September next And Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash appeared to be the highest Bidders viz^{t} twelve thousand seven hundred Dollars. which was acceded to by the Board

Ordered that a Warrant appointing them Collectors of the said Fees on behalf of this Board be made out accordingly.

[215] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Aug^{t} 21st 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Jacob De laMontagnie	Mangle Minthorn
Cornelius C Roosevelt	Nicholas Carmer
Theoph^{s} Beekman	Anthony Brown
Jotham Post	Anthony Post
Robert Lenox	Philip J Arcularius
Gabriel Furman	Thomas Storm

A Representation from the Health Commissioners was read stating that certain Lots, described in a List enclosed, late part of the Estate of John Ireland, are so low as that the Water remains thereon stagnant & that they are receptacles for Dead Animals, to the great danger of the health of the Inhabitants in that Quarter; And further that the

Lots of John Delafield at the Exchange Slip remain in a sunken unwholesome State.

Whereupon Ordinances were passed by the Board requiring the Proprietors and Occupants of the said first above mentioned Lots to raise them to such Heighth as that the Water do not remain thereon, stagnant And also requiring John Delafield to cause his said Lots to be properly filled up the whole to be executed & performed by the first day of October next under the Penalty of 100 Dollars for each Lot

[216] Isaac Gouverneur having at his own Expence made a Common Sewer in Front Street & Gouverneurs Alley he is authorized to demand Compensation for his Expence from any Person who shall insert a private Drain in the said Common Sewer

Ordered the like with respect to a Common Sewer he has Permission to make from his new House in Hanover Square into the Old Slip.

Christopher Hughes has permission to take up part of Roosevelt Street to insert a private Drain in the Common Sewer on his paying a reasonable Proportion towards the Expence of making the said Common Sewer & putting the Street in good Order

Archibald Dunlap has permission to make an Area to his House in Henry Street.

On reading a Petition for the purpose An Ordinance was passed " for digging out & paving Division Street from the present Pavement thereof at East George Street to Rutgers Street."

On reading a Petition for the Purpose Ordered that the Ordinance for filling in Magazine Street be suspended for this Season on Condition that the Neighborhood fill up the Street so as to make it dry & passable.

Ordered that John McLean be & he is hereby appointed Keeper of the public Magazine for Gun Powder at Inchlambergh provided that all the Gun Powder stored there be at his Risque.

[217] An Estimate & Assessm^{t} for paving the Street on each side of Cortlandt Slip was read & ratified by the B^{d} & Thomas Lafoy was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & W^{m} M^{c}Cabe to pave the s^{d} Streets

The like for the digging out & paving of Mulberry S^{t} & John Tablee was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart Ab^{m} Stagg & Tho^{s} F Stagg to execute the Work

A Petition from the Neighborhood at the two Mile Stone for a fire Engine was read & granted.

The follow^{g} Persons were appointed fire Men to Engine N^{o} 1. viz^{t}

Joshua Barker	W^{m} Ferguson
Matthias Nack	Peter Mabee
Cornelius Mabee	David Halstead
Abraham Day	John Stevenson
James Riker	John R Johnson

The Committee on the Subject of the Drain or Sewer from the Alms House to Hudsons River reported that they had received Proposals for building the same from sundry Persons and that Thomas Whytlaw was the lowest viz^{t} Sixteen Shillings & six Pence per foot running Measure

Ordered that the same Committee prepare the Articles of Agreem^{t} & take a Bond with good Security for the performance.

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follow^{g} viz^{t}

5700	of 3^{d}	£71: 5: —
7400	of 2^{d}	61:13: 4
6500	of 1^{d}	27: 1: 8
1000	d^{o}	4: 3: 4
		£164: 3: 4

[218] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	W^{m} Sloo & C^{o} for pursuing the Persons who stole the Gun Powder out of the public Magazine & recover^{g} the Powder	£12: —: —
iss^{d}	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps 4th W^{d}	£33: 1: —
iss^{d}	W^{m} B Ogden for the like	£10:19: 9
iss^{d}	Arch^{d} Dunlap for the like 7th W^{d}	£6: 9: 6
iss^{d}	John Brower for cover^{g} the Court Room Table	£5: 9: 9
iss^{d}	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ball^{ce}	£11:10:10
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary	£20: 0: —
	The same for Disburseme^{ts}	1:14: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watchm^{n}	£139: 2: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6

[219] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of Augt 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Theophs Beekman Jotham Post Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Brown Anthony Post Philip Arcularius Mangle Minthorn	Assists

The Health Commissrs delivered in an Acct of their Expenditures & of the Money come into their Hands for Fines under the Law for preventing Nuisances; which was read & filed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay the said Commissioners 500 Dollars on Acct

Articles of Agreement between this Board & Thomas Whytlaw for making the Drain or Sewer from the Alms House into Hudsons River were read & approved & the Seal of this Board was ordered to be affixed thereto to be delivered on his executing the counterpart & a Bond for the faithful performance of the Work in such Sum & with such Surety as the Comittee shall approve.

Ordered that the Street Committee direct the Ground belonging to the Corporation in the vicinity of the old Powder Magazine to be surveyed & staked out & [220] when it is done that Mr Harsen cause the same to be filled up to a proper Heighth

A Petition against the Auctioneers at the Fly Market was read & referred to the Aldn in the Police Office.

A Petition from the Harmonical Society for the use of a Room in the City Hall & it was granted that they may use the lower back Room provided they can incommodate with the Court for the Trial of Causes of Ten Pounds & under

Ordered that the new Bason near Rhinelanders Brewery on Hudson River & George Slip on the East River be assigned for the landing of Hay & that George may erect a Scale there at such place as the Aldn & Assist of the Wd shall direct and that Aldn Beekman may remove his Scale at James Slip to such place as may be convenient

The Committee on the Petition of John Deitz manufacturer of Glue for compensation in the removal of the Utensils of his Business out of the settled parts of the City, reported that they had agreed to allow him £84: 12/ with which Sum he was satisfied

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for payment thereof accordingly*

* Marginal note reads *issd & delvd to Mr Dietz Jany 31st 1798.*—Ed.

Another Petition agt using the Land lately purchased for a public burying Ground & offering another Piece of Ground in lieu thereof was read & rejected.

[221] A Warrant appointing Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash Dock Masters with Power to collect & receive the Wharfage & Slippage for one Year from the 31st Instant was read & approved by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed & delivered to them on their executing a Bond to this Board in 15000 Dollars with such Sureties as Mr Mayor shall approve

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Bowery Lane from Catharine Street to St Nicholas Street was read & ratified by the Board & Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & George Walton to pave the said Street

John Annely was appointed a Fireman to Engine No 11 vice John Hillyer resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Nichs Lawrence for the Watchmen who went in quest of Capt Vincent suspected of having Goods on Board his Vessel stolen at Albany.....	£21:16:—
issued	William Gilbert for the Corporations part in paving Old Slip Street	£135: 4:—
issd	Niel McKennon for 2 lost fire Buckts.....	£1:12:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for lights Lamps.....	£76: 5: 8
issd	Aront Van Hook for subsists criminal Prisoners.....	£70:16:—
issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£55: 4:—

[222] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of September 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Theophs Beekman, Jotham Post, Robert Lenox, Nichs Bayard, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Post, Nicholas Carmer

A Petition of Elizth Arnold to continue in the use & occupation of her deceased Husband's Standing in the Fly Market; was read & it was determined that her Request could not be granted.

On a Representation that several of the Butchers had neglected personally to attend at their Stalls or Standings in the Market and had put in their Places other Persons without the consent or permission of this Board.

Ordered that if any Butcher shall neglect personally to attend his Business at his Standing in the Market for the term of fourteen Market Days his standing shall be considered as vacated & sold to some other licenced Butcher: Excepting in cases of sickness or other accidental Cause.

Ordered that the Deputy Clerk of the Market notify John Finck, Henry Spingler, John Doughty, John Lovell, Alex^{r} Peacock & James Sullivan Butchers to appear at this [223] Board on Monday Afternoon next to shew Cause (if any they have) why their respective Standings in the Fly Market (which they have for a considerable length of time neglected personally to attend) should not be disposed of to other Persons.

The Committee on the subject of a Reform of the Ferry to Brooklyn presented to the Board two Plans the one for farming or letting out the Ferry in like manner as the public Slips & Wharfs and the other to licence a certain number of Persons each to have one Boat & always to go in his own Boat And on a consideration of the said Plans they were recommitted to M^{r} Mayor, & Ald^{n} Furman Lenox Beekman and De la Montagnie for revisal.

A Representation from the Dock Masters suggesting that the collection of the Rates or Fees of Wharfage & Slippage would be very much facilitated if all Vessels or Boats not exceeding five Tons burthen had the Name of the Owner & number of the Vessel (if he has more than one) painted on the Stern

Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for the purpose accordingly

On reading a Petition for the opening of Blooming Dale Road to its proper Wedth of four Rods Ordered that Ald^{n} Furman Beekman & De la Montagne be a Committee to direct the Proprietors of the Land where the Road is not of it's proper Wedth to remove their [224] Fences & then to direct the Road Master to work & put the Road in good Order

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Northwest side of Chatham Square was read & ratified by the Board And Rich^{d} Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & James Riley & Peter Peterson to pave the said Street on their entering into Bond with good Sureties for the faithful performance of the Work by the 25th Oct^{r} next

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots on Cherry Street between Rutgers Street & George Street make the necessary Bulkhead on the

southeast range of the said Cherry Street & to fill up the said Street to it's proper heighth by the 25th Instant so that the same may be paved.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Proprietors of Lots fronting on South Street between the Exchange Slip & Coenties Slip to be filled up to its proper Heighth by the 1st Novr next under the penalty of 150 Dollars each Lot

Ordered that John Stagg be appointed to inspect the Workmanship of the Drain or Sewer making from the Alms House and also the paving of the West side of Chatham Square & the Bowery Lane

Ordered that the Treasr deliver up & return to the Drawer the Notes of David Man. Danl Insley—Nichs Smart—John Barr & John Carty given for Stands by them purchased in the Fly Market & which have been given up & resold

[225] The Committee on the Petition of Ebenezer Brush for the additional Grant into Hudson River opposite to his Lots out to the permanent Line reported that the Prayer ought to be granted.

Ordered that a Grant be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

		Dollars
issd	Aldn Montagnie on Acct towards the new Alms House Drain	1000
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 3d Wd	£29:14:10
issd	George Forman for printing Bye Laws	£12:10:—
issd	Wm Pollard for copying & making into Ballots new List of Jurors	£8:—:—
issd	Gilbert Angevine & Andrew Harmah for watchs at Goal	£16: 2:—
issd	Aldn D L Montagnie for John McGaragh for paving round a Well 6th Wd	0:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6

[226] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nichs Bayard Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Jotham Post Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Garret Harsen Thomas Storm

Assistts

The Board proceeded to the appointed of Inspectors at the ensuing Election of Charter Officers & a place in each Ward for the holding

of the Election & the following Persons & Places were appointed accordingly—viz[t]

1st Wd	James A Stewart.....	Trinity Church
2d	Daniel McCormick	City Hall
3d	Daniel Dunscomb Junr.....	North Church
4th	Peter Elting	St Pauls Church
5th	Francis Child	friends Meetg Hs
6th	Isaac Van Vleck.....	Charles Brenneysen House Corner of Broad Way & Murray St
7th	William W Gilbert.....	Bulls Head Tavern

Ordered that Isaac Gouverneur be permitted to make an Area & Vaults under the Street in front of his House in Hanover Square under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist: of the Ward.

[227] John Finck, John Doughty, John Lovell & Alexr Peacock Butchers attended the Board agreable to the Order of last Meeting & assigned Reasons satisfactory to the Board for their absence from their respective Stalls in the Fly Market

Henry Spingler also attended and acknowledged that he had abandoned his Stall And the Treasurer was ordered to sell it to some other licenced Butcher.

James Sullivan did not appear & the consideration of his Case was postponed.

The Committee on the Subject of Brooklyn Ferry reported "that the Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to Brooklyn should be sold for the Term of three Years from the fifteenth day of Novr next to such Person as should offer the greatest annual Rent & that Proposals written & sealed up should be received for that purpose at the Clerks Office until the first day of Octr next on the followg Terms & Conditions viz[t]

"A Bond with approved Sureties for the payment of the Rent quarterly & for the performance of the Contract Five good Boats of the Size & Form of the largest Boats now in use at the said Ferry and five other good Boats of the Size & form of the largest of the lesser Boats now in use at the said Ferry, to be kept in the constant use of the said Ferry.

[228] Each of the five large Boats to be worked & managed by three able bodied Men of sober & discreet Character and used to water Service & to have a Sail of safe Size & Form And each of the lesser Boats to be worked & managed by two Men of like Character & used to water Service & may have a Sail of like description. The Lessee

to be answerable for the Conduct of the Men employed in the Boats & if it shall appear to the Common Council that any or either of the Men be guilty of drunkeness, abuse or *or* other ill treatment to Passengers or want of Skill or ability to perform the Duty required such Person shall on the Order of the Common Council be immediately dismissed the Service.

The Lessee & all others employed in the Service are to observe & keep all such Rules & Regulations as are now or from time to time shall be by Law or Order of the Common Council made or established for or in respect to the said Ferry."

Ordered that the Clerk publish in the New[s] Papers that Proposals for *taken* [taking] the said Ferry will be received accordgly

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Streets on each side of the Fly Market from Front Street to the River was read & ratified by the Board And John Moore & George Gosman were appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Streets

[229] A Petition for the filling & raising certain Lots on Delancey's Ground adjoining the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Committee.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Water Street at Corlaers Hook from Romayne's to Youles Ground was read & ratified by the Board & Nathl Clark was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to execute the Work on his entering into Bond for the due performance thereof by the first January next.

And the Street Committee were directed to take order for the making of a Bulkhead to support the Earth at the place reserved for a public Bason

A Petition for Boats to come into & occupy Cortlandt Slip; which is appropriated to the sole use of the Paulus Hook ferry Boats; was read & rejected

Ordered that Abraham Valentine be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 13 vice John Patten resigned.

An Ordinance was passed for digging out & filling in the follows Streets vizt Broad Way from Murray Street to the Arched Bridge—Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street—Ann Street from Anthony Street to Catharine Street—And Catharine Street from Ann Street to fresh Water Pond.

[230] The Street Committee reported the follows Regulation of Front Street from Burling Slip to Pecks Slip; was agreed to by the Board vizt

"From Burling Slip to Beekman Slip (after allowing for that part of Burling Slip Street at present unpaved a descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Kennel in Front Street) ascent along Front Street in a distance of 110 feet and descent in a distance of 90 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Pavement at Beekman Slip—In consequence it will require to be filled in at the extent of 104 feet from the Kennel at Burling Slip 7 Inches.

From Beekman Slip to the Crane Wharf Ascent from the Pavement on the side of the Timber in a distance of 175 feet and Descent in a Distance of 36 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Kennel at the Crane Wharf—In consequence it will require to be dug 5 Inches at the extent of 100 feet from the Kennel in Beekman Slip Street.

From Crane Wharf to Pecks Slip. Ascent from the Kennel at Crane Wharf in a Distance of 127 feet & Descent in a Distance of 227 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Pecks Slip—In consequence it will require to be raised 1 foot 11 Inches at the extent of 174 feet from the eastern Kennel at Crane Wharf

[231] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Abraham Russel for repairg Pavemt in several public Places in the 1st Ward.....	£45: 0: 9
issd	John Van Alst for repairg Pumps 5th Wd.....	£20: 16: 8
issd	John Walters for making Oil Cisterns & repairg the Oil Stove	£78: 3: 1
issd	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil.....	1415 Dolls

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Jotham Post
Nichs Bayard
Cornes C Roosevelt
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post
Garret Harsen
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
} Assistts

Philip Fulkerson Porter 16/6
Edmund Washburn Yeoman 16/6
Lewis Smith, Carpenter 36/6
} admitted free Men & sworn

The Clerk presented to the Board the Deeds to the purchasors of the Common Lands sold at public Auction, which were examined & it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor

subscribe the same to be delivered to the Purchasors on their executing the counterpart & complying with the Conditions of the Sale.

[232] A Petition for an Enclosure to the Common Sewer of Roosevelt Street to prevent the nautius effluvia in the Street was read & referred to the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Ward to take order.

Ordered that Isaac Peffer be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood at Pecks Slip in the place of —— Brown decᵈ

It appearing to the Board that some difficulties would arise respecting the Boundary Lines of Lot Nº 160 of the Common Lands sold at auction to John Goodeve it was agreed & ordered that the Money by him paid on the purchase be returned to him & that no Deed be made for that Lot

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Catharine Street was read & ratified by the Board & Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & George Walton to pave the said Street

An Ordinance was passed "for filling in Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River & for repairing the Pavement of Greenwich Street at Warren Street"

An Ordinance was also passed "for digging out & filling in Greenwich Street from Reade Street to Lispenards Gate"

Ordered that the Members of the Committee of Accounts with Aldⁿ Furman & Lenox be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers on Thursday next to examine his Books & Accounts & to make report to the Board

Ordered that John Triglith occupy the Standing, in the Fly Market, surrendered up by Henry Spingler, on his paying therefor £70.

[233] James Sullivan Butcher attended & assigned satisfactory Reasons for absenting himself from his Standing in the Fly Market

Ordered that Messʳˢ Towt & Tylee Inspectors of Leather be requested to inspect the Leader of Engine Nº 7 & report their Opinion thereon to the Board.

On a Complaint that the following vacant Lots of Ground in the vicinity of the Bowery Lane are so low as that the Water remains thereon stagnant vizᵗ 12 Lots fronting on first Street & numbered from 140 to 151 inclusive And 4 Lots fronting the Bowery Lane Numbered 132 to 135 inclusive belonging to James Beekman. Four Lots fronting the Bowery Lane numbered 136 to 139 inclusive & two Lots numbered 351 & 352 all belonging to John Lawrence Esqʳ

And two Lots fronting Grand & second Streets numbered 369 & 370 belonging to Alexʳ Finck.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners of the said Lots

respectively to cause their said respective Lots to be so filled up & raised, as that the Water falling or running thereon will run off freely into the Bowery Lane, by the 15th day of Novr next under the penalty of 50 Dollars for each Lot which shall not be so filled & raised.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct	£300:—:—
issd	[234] The Commissrs of the Alms House to purchase fire Wood for indigent Families which may become distressed next Winter	$500
issd	Theophilus Bregy for a lost fire Buckt	$2
issd	John S Delamater for superintendg cleang Streets 1st Ward	$20
issd	John Morrison for lamp Oil	£169:15: 4
issd	George Gosman for Lime in the Privy at City Hall	£5: 2:—
issd	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ballce	£5:12: 4
issd	Wm G Forbes & others for taking Names of Persons to serve as Jurors	$114
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Jacob De la Montagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Thomas Storm Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen

Assistts

George Harsin, Taylor
Joseph Dunkly, Grocer } admitted & sworn free Men. 16/6 each.

[235] A Petition of Thomas Hazard Goaler praying that the allowance for subsisting crimi Prisoners be encreased was read & referred to Aldn De la Montagnie & Messrs Carmer & Harsen.

On a representation by Aldn Lenox that Water Street from Wall Street to Pine Street ought to be raised Ordered that the Street Committee direct a new Survey to be made of that Street.

On reading a Petition of Nichs Governeur & other Proprietors of Lots at Corlaers Hook a new Ordinance was passed for digging out & filling in Water Street from Doctor Romaynes Ground to John

Youles Ground " And for repealing an Ordinance passed the 11th day of July 1796—on that Subject

Messrs Towt & Tylee agreable to the Order of the 18th Instant reported that they had inspected the Leader lately made for Engine N° 7 & found it altogether insufficient.

Ordered that the Committee on that subject direct the said Leader to be returned to the maker & that a new one be made in its stead.

An Ordinance for filling in Chambers Street from Greenwich Street to the River & for paving the foot Walk on the south side from Greenwich Street to the west side of Henry Ten Brooks House; was passed by the Bd

An Ordinance was passed for paving Cross Street from Mulberry Street to the southwest side of Water Street And Orange Street from Chatham Street to Mary Street.

[236] Ordered that James Shaw be appointed a fireman to Hook & Ladder Company N° 1 & John Mercereau to Engine N° 9 vice Charles Stewart resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nichs Carmer for ballce of his Acct for the erection of new Fish Markt	£266: 6: 6
issd	David Marshall for superintends Potters field burying Ground	£18: 2:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps	£76:12: 4
issd	Angevine & Hanna for watchs at Goal	£21:14:—
issd	Isaac Guiver for Repairs to a Pump in Charlotte Street	£3:11:—
issd	Wm A Hardenbrook for paving round Wells in 6th Ward	£6: 2:11
issd	Moore & Gosman for the like	£17:—:—
issd	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to Goal & Bridewell	£23: 6:—
issd	The same for paving round Wells	£11: 8:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29th September 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard, Jacob De laMontagnie, Gabriel Furman, Robert Lenox, Theophs Beekman } Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post, Garret Harsen, Anthony Brown, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nichs Carmer } Assists

[237] The Committee on the Treasurers Books & Accounts delivered in the following Report; which was agreed to by the Board vizt

" We the subscribers being a Committee appointed for examining

the Acc^{ts} of the City Treasurer Do report that we have attended to the Business as directed That there has been received by Loans directed by Common Council from the Bank of New York & others Eleven thousand Pounds—received from Richard Lawrence for a Loan made him One hundred & twenty Pounds—for Interest on sundry Notes due sixteen Pounds 17/6 From Market Stands sold & from the assessment on John Street & from Corporation Tickets issued out Six thousand two hundred & fifty three Pounds 11/4^{d} And from the different Branches of City Revenue Eight thousand six hundred & fifty three Pounds 10/3^{d} which with the ballance due on the last settlement of six thousand six hundred & sixty seven Pounds 8/11¾ makes thirty two thousand seven hundred & eleven Pounds 8/0¾ And that there has been paid out twenty seven thousand One hundred & sixty four Pounds 9/10 which leave a Ball^{ce} of five thousand five hundred & forty six Pounds 18/2¾ due the City of New York.

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Thomas Storm
Mangle Minthorn"

[238] The Board then, purs^{t} to the directions in the Charter, proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was appointed accordingly

M^{r} Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson High Constable for the ensuing Year

On a suggestion that the lighting of the public Lamps by Contract would be attended with greater Œconomy *that* [than] the present Mode practised.

Ald^{n} Furman De La Montagnie & Lenox & Mess^{rs} Post & Minthorn were appointed a Committee to enquire into & consider of the subject & report to the Board

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Anthony Post	
Robert Lenox		Philip J Arcularius	
Nicholas Bayard		Thomas Storm	

[239] The Clerk laid before the Board the Returns of the Elections held in the several Wards on the 29th Inst for Charter Officers from which it appears that the following Persons were elected vizt

	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Thomas Storm	Assist
1st Wd	John Remsen, James Van Dyk	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Philip Fulkerson	Constables
	John B Coles	Aldn
	Garret Harsen	Assist
2d Wd	Abraham Varick, William Denning	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Henry Burtsell, Barn't Newkerk	Constables
	Theophilus Beekman	Aldn
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
3d Wd	David Wolfe, John J Glover	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
	Anthony Post	Aldn
	John Bogert	Assistts
4th Wd	Isaac Jones, Benjamin Romayne	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Ackerman, John Rains	Constables

[240]	Jotham Post	Aldn
	Philip J Arcularius	Assist
5th Wd	Nicholas N Anthony, Andrew Mercein	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	Joseph Dunkley, Samuel Montgomery	Constables
	Jacob De LaMontagnie	Aldn
	Anthony Brown	Assistt
6th Wd	James Riker, Joseph Watkins	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	William Campbell, Henry Bogardus	Constables
	Richard Furman	Aldn
	Mangle Minthorn	Assist
Bowery Division	Henry Rutgers, William W Gilbert	Assessors
	Martin Morrison	Collector
7th Wd	John McLauchlen, Lewis Smith	Constables
Harlem Division	Jonathan Randall, John De Lancey	Assessors
	John Bussing	Collector
	Aaron Bussing, Adolphus Bussing	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend in the Common Council Chamber on the 14th Instt at 11 OClock in the forenoon to take & subscribe the Oaths prescribed by Law & the Charter of this City.

[241] The Clerk laid before the Board proposals sealed up & delivered by several Persons for Brooklyn Ferry purst to the advertizemt on that Subject in the News Papers & on their being opened & read the Board determined that the Offer of Gilbert Van Mater at 2000 Dollars per Annum appeared to be the best Offer And thereupon ordered that a Lease to him be prepared accordingly

Estimates & Ass[ess]ments for paving the Street in front & on both sides of the Exchange Slip—South Street from White Hall Slip to the Exchange Slip & the Street on the East side of White Hall Slip; were read & ratified by the Board And Abm Russell & George Gosman were appointed to Collect the Monies thereon and to pave the said Streets on their entering into Bond with Surety for the faithfull performance thereof by the 15th Novr next

An Ordinance was passed for repaving the Kennels in Water Street from the East Kennel of Wall Street to the Fly Market.

Ordered that William Hardenbrook be & he is hereby appointed Chief Engineer of the Fire Men vice William J Elsworth resigned.

[242] Ordinances were passed for paving with Brick or Flagging all such parts of the foot or side Walks as are not so paved on each side of the Broad Way from Wall Street to Marketfield Street on the East side & from Rector Street to Beaver Lane on the West side And such of the foot or side Walks in Beaver Street as are not so paved. Also the foot or side Walks in front Street from Coenties Slip to Wall Street.

Ordered that John Van Pelt be appointed Inspector of Fire Wood at the old Slip vice John Harriott resigned.

A Petition of James Donalson for a Grant of a Water Lot was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Richd Furman for so much assessed on the Corporation for paving Chatham Square	£217:12:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	Benja Hunting for Lamp Oil	£189: 0: 4
issd	Luke Kip & Winard Mitchell for pursuing Moses Knap & others charged with felony	£3: 4:—
issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct for fire Wood	£60:—:—

The Treasurer or Chamberlain laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax which were examined with their respective Vouchers by the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen & found right & agreable to the Directions of the Statute certified accordingly.

[243] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of Octr 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Alda	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Nichs Bayard		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius	

Daniel Hitchcock a Candidate at the late Election of Charter Officers in the fifth Ward for the Office of Assistant or Common Council Man having by his Petition represented to this Board that he has reason to believe that a greater number of legal Votes were given for him at the said Election than were given for Philip J Arcularius the other Candidate who is returned as duly elected to the said Office

And therefore prayed that a Scrutiny may be had on the Poll List taken at the said Election Whereupon it was ordered that the Prayer of the said Petition be granted And that Wednesday the 11th Instant at 3 OClock in the Afternoon be appointed for the hearing of the Parties on the subject of the said Scrutiny before this Board in the Common Council Chamber And that the Parties Exchange Lists of such Votes as they shall respectively object to.

[244] Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker & Cornelius Ray Esqrs Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers And this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes & Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed & required.

The following is a statement of their Accounts.

Debtr

City and County of New York in Account with the Loan Officers of said City and County in pursuance of an Act passed the 18th April 1786 ..... Credr

1797.		Interest	Principal
Augt	To the Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Int	£80: 0: 0	£0: 0: 0
Augt 26th	To Cash paid the Treasurer on Acct Int & principal Recd	479: 4: 0	1108: 0: 0
Sept 28	To Cash paid Do in full for Interest & Do as Pr Receipt	28:15: 0	76: 0: 0
		£587:19: 0	£1184: 0: 0
	To Ballance for principal remaining on Loan....		£10499: 0: 0
			£11683: 0: 0

NB. £10499 Principal is 26247½ Dollars Balle

1796		Principal
Septemr 20th	By Ballance remaining on Loan	£11683: 0: 0
1797		Interest
June 20th	By one Year Interest due on the principal at 5 ℔ Ct.....£584: 3: 0	.....
Septemr 19th	By 1 Year Interest on Mortgage No 41 that would have been due in June 98 on Jane Falk Decd Estate sold	3:16: 0 .....
		£587:19: 0 £11683: 0: 0

New York the 30th September 1797. Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker, Corns Ray } Loan Officers

Debtr

Treasury of the State of New York in Account with the New Loan Officers of the City and County of New York.....Credr

1797		
July 2nd	To Loan Officers Salary for one Year.....	£80: 0: 0
Do	To Cash paid the Treasurer in full as ℔ Receipt 2695 Dollars or.....1078: 0: 0	£1158: 0: 0

1797		
May 2nd	By Interest for one Year on £19300 at 6 ℔er Cent....£1158: 0: 0	.....

New York the 30th Septemr 1797.
Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker, Corns Ray } Loan Officers

[245] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11th day of October 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Theophilus Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Thomas Storm	
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
		Garret Harsen	

Daniel Hitchcock & Philip J Arcularius the two Candidates for the Office of Assist or Common Council Man at the late Election of Charter Officers in the fifth Wd attended the Board agreable to the Order of the last Meeting & delivered in their respective Lists of exceptionable Votes taken at the said Election.

Whereupon the Board proceeded to scrutinize and enquire into the legality of the Votes on the said Lists respectively, some of which on each List were found to be good Votes & some others bad Votes, and having gone through the Enquiry in the presence of the Parties it appeared that each of them had an equal number of good Votes viz

[246] Henry Burtsell a Constable of the second Ward having, at the last Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace held in & for this City & County, been indicted and convicted of certain mal & corrupt Practice in the execution of his said Office

Ordered that he be notified to appear before this Board on Saturday the 14th Instant at 11 O'Clock in the forenoon to shew Cause why he shall not be amoved from the Freedom of this City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to pay Aldn De LaMontagnie on Acct towards the Common Sewer from the Alms Hs $1.000

issd

[247] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 14th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm
*John B Coles		Garrit Harsen
Theophilus Beekman		Nicholas Carmer
*Anthony Post		*John Bogert
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius
Jacob De la Montagnie		Anthony Brown
*Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorne

Those marked * are new members.

Samuel Montgomery Windsor Chair Maker admitted & sworn a Free Man 16/6

Mr Mayor administered to the Aldermen & Assistants above named (except Mr Arcularius who was adjudged to continue or hold over in his Office until another should be elected at the next annual Election & sworn in his stead) and the other follows Officers, the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter of this City—vizt

Daniel Phœnix Esqr Treasr or Chamberlain who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved & filed

	1st Wd	John Remsen & James Van Dyk	Assessors
	2d Wd	Abraham Varick &	
	3d Wd	David Wolfe & John J Glover	
	4th Wd	Isaac Jones & Benjamin Romaine	
	5th Wd	Nicholas N Anthony & Andrew Merwin	
	6th Wd	James Riker & Joseph Watkins	
7th Wd	Bowery Division	Henry Rutgers & William W Gilbert	
	Harlem Do	John De Lancey & Jonathan Randall	
[248]	1st Wd	Charles Handasyde & Philip Fulkerson	Constables
	2d do	Henry Burtsell & Barn't Newkerk	
	3d do	Robert Johnson & Samuel Stockwell	
	4th do	John Ackerman & John Rains	
	5th do	Joseph Dunkley &	
	6th do	William Campbell & Henry Bogardus	
7th Wd	Bowery Division	John McLauchlen & Lewis Smith	
	Harlem Division	Adolphus Bussing &	

William Denning Assessor for the second Ward being absent from this City & Aaron Bussing Constable of Harlem Division of the 7th Ward not having been notified to attend

Ordered that they be notified to attend & take the Oaths at a Meeting of the Board without delay.

It appearing that Samuel Montgomery returned a Constable elect

for the fifth Ward was neither a Freeman or Freeholder in the Ward Ordered that an Election be held in the said Ward on Monday the 23d Instant of a Constable in his stead

Ordered that Aldn G Furman, Beekman De La Montagnie, Coles & R: Furman & Messrs Minthorn & Bogert be the standing Committee for Streets & Roads.

That Aldn De La Montagnie & R: Furman & Mr Bogert be the standing Committee for Accts

That Aldn J Post, & A Post & Messrs Carmer & Brown be the standing Committee for Lamps.

And that Aldn Coles & Messrs Harsen Storm & Arcularius be the standing Committee for repairs to public Buildings &c

[249] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Octr 16th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jacob De La Montagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman Theophilus Beekman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius John Bogert Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Representation of Gilbert Van Mater on the subject of the want of necessary Repairs to the Wharf at Brooklyn Ferry was read & referred to the Committee on Repairs

A Petition of some young Students at Law for the use of the lower Room in the City Hall to meet in one Evening in the Week was read & granted provided it does [not] incommode the sitting & Business of the Court for trying Causes to the value of Ten Pounds.

Ordered that the Street Committee report as soon as possible on the several Proposals delivered in by the Surveyors & others for making a Survey & Plan of this City.

Ordered that the Chief Engineer cause the new Leader made for Engine N° 7 inspected by Messrs Towt & Tylee & reported to the Board.

[250] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Danl Raveau & John Smith for the ballce due on Contract to fill up Pecks Slip	£25: —: —
issd	James Irwin for Repairs to a Well & Pump 5th Wd	£11: 6: 9
issd	Isaac Johnson for the like 6th Wd	5:18: 9
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil	136: 9:10

issd	Hopkins & Co for printing	£2:—:—
issd	The Clerks at the late Election of Charter Officers	£5:12:—
issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Pumps 1st Ward	£5: 2:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles	£3: 7: 6
issd	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps in 6th & 7th Wards	£104:19: 6
issd	Wm J Elsworth on Acct towards fire Engine Department	£150: 4: 9
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	139: 2: 6
issd	Garret Van Bomell for a lost Bucket	0:16:—

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

John W Hardenbrook to Engine No 18 vice John Burger removed from the City.

Ezra Weeks to Engine No 12 vice Corns Schermerhorn resigned.

Elias Hatfield to Engine No 20 vice Barney Dekline resigned.

[251] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 17th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Jotham Post Anthony Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Thomas Storm Anthony Brown Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Aldn De la Montagnie on Acct towards the Sewer making from the Alms House to the River	$1000
issd	Garret Harsen on Acct towards Repairs makg by order of the Bd	$1000

The Board being convened for the purpose of waiting upon His Excellency the *President of the United States who is now in this City on his way from Boston to the Seat of Govt at Phila

Mr Mayor & the Members of the Bd together with their proper Officers proceeded to wait upon him accordingly

* Marginal note reads *John Adams.*—Ed.

[252] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23d day of October 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De La Montagnie
Jotham Post
Richard Furman
Anthony Post
John B Coles
} Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen
John Bogert
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
Anthony Brown
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

From the Poll List of the Election held in the 5th Ward for a Constable it appeared that Samuel Montgomery was duly elected & he attended & took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

Two Letters from the Commissioners of the Health Office were read. The one representing the state of the Wharfs particularly those on the East River & recommending that the Proprietors cause them to be compleated & filled up with solid materials & the other requesting a further advance of Money to discharge incurred Expences. Thereupon

Ordered that the Proprietors of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & Catharine Slip be & they are hereby required to cause the Street of seventy feet in breadth on the East River called South Street in front of their respective Lots to be made & finished by the first [253] day of October in the year 1798 And also that they cause their respective Lots to be extended out to the said Street & compleatly filled in with wholesome Materials to a proper heighth by that Day.

An Ordinance was passed requiring Robert Bowne & Thomas Eddy and the Executors or Devisees of Robert Bruce deceased to cause their respective Lots situate in the second Ward & lying between Front Street & South Street to be compleatly filled up with solid & wholesome Materials to such heighth as that the Water will run off freely into the Street by the first day of April next under the Penalty of two hundred & fifty Dollars for each Lot which shall not be so filled up.

Ordered that the Street Committee examine Pecks Slip, James's Slip & Catharine Slip & report to the Board what Improvements are necessary And also to examine the Lots of Peter W Livingston & Walter Bowne & to report whether the said Lots or others in the vicinity require Ordinances to be passed for filling them up.

Ordered that Mr Harsen employ the Mud Drudge in clearing out

such Slips as require it And also that he employ Men to dig out & deepen the White Hall Slip.

Estimates & Assessments for paving Orange Street & Cross Street were read & ratified by the Board & John Tabellie was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Thomas Whytlaw to pave the said Streets.

On a Representation of the Keeper of the Bridewell Ordered that Mr Harsen take Order for repairing the Windows.

[254] The Committee on the Representation of Gilbert Van Mater on the State of the Wharf, Bridge & Slip at Brooklyn Ferry delivered in a Report and thereupon it was ordered that Mr Harsen take order for repairing the Wharfs & deepening the Slip—the repairing of the Bridge or Stairs to be suspended for the present

Mr Elsworth superintendant of the Lamp Department having resigned that Office & being about to leave this City in a few Days Ordered that Peter Cole Keeper of the Bridewell take charge of the Business until a further arrangement on the subject takes place.

Ordered that Thomas Brown & James Tylee be appointed Engineers of the Fire Department vice Isaac Mead resigned & George Warner removed from the City.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward take order for the erection of an Engine House at the Furnace in Greenwich Street

Ordered that Mr Stagg employ two Carts to fill up the Street over the Sewer from the Alms House to the River.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The Commissrs of Health Office on acct	$1000
issd	Aldn De la Montagnie on Acct towards the Sewer from the Alms House	$500
issd	Robert Valentine for Carpenters Work to the new Watch House	£15:15:—
issd	The same for a Grate to the Common Sewer in Roosevelt Street	£7: 4:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for ballce of his Acct in the Lamp Department	£63: 0: 2
issd	Bernard O'Blenis for ballce of his Acct as Clerk in the Police Office	£11:11: 4
issd	John Morton for printing	£30:14:—

[255] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assists

Ordered that Aldn J. Post & A. Post and Messrs Storm, Harsen Carmer Arcularius & Brown with the Aid of Mr Recorder be a Committee to take into Consideration the provision made by Act of the Legislature concerning free Schools in this City & report to the Board the Measures necessary to be adopted on the subject

An Application of the Trustees of the Affrican free School for a further Aid towards the support of the said School was read & referred to the above Committee

A Request of Henry Cruger to run the Fence in front of his Farm at Blooming Dale on a strait Line was read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Nathl Clark for indemnification against certain Persons for digging out in part the Street at Corlears Hook was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[256] The Grand Jurors at the last Supreme Court having presented as a Nuisance a certain Lot of Ground at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets belonging to this Board & occupied by Gardiner Baker as a Menage or Place for the keeping of wild Animals.

Ordered that Mr Baker be notified to provide another Place for his Menage & that he remove from & surrender the said Lot by the first day of May next

Estimates & Assessments for paving the foot or side Walks in Broad Way & Beaver Street were read & ratified by the Board; And Wm G Forbes was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John McCombs to execute the Work.

Ordered that Waters Furman be appointed to collect the Monies on the Assessments for paving Cross Street & Orange Street vice John Tabellie who declines serving.

An Application from the Justices of the Court for trying Causes to the value of £10 that their Room in the City Hall be supplied with Fuel at the public Expence; was read & granted.

Ordered that John Stephens Junr be appointed a fireman to Engine

N° 18 vice Jonathan Lawrence resigned And William L Mott to Engine N° 7 vice Thomas Brown resigned.

[257] The following Reports were read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

"The Street Committee report that James's Slip ought to be dug out & deepened at it's head so as to be under Water at the lowest Tide And that the Proprietors of the Lots on the West side of the Slip be required to repair the Pier in front of their respective Lots where it is necessary That on viewing Catharine Slip the Committee are of Opinion that a Bulkhead ought to be laid across the Slip on a line with the south side of Water Street on the West side of the Slip: Provided the Inhabitants & Owners of Lots in the vicinity will agree to fill in the Slip at their private Expence.

The Committee on the subject of the City Watch Do recommend that the Watchman in the rear of the Gov[t] House be removed & placed at the Old Slip or Coenties Slip And they also recommend that four additional Watchmen be employed to be stationed in the 6[th] Ward."

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Ald[n] De La Montagnie on Acc[t] towards the Sewer from the Alms House	$1000
iss[d]	W[m] J Elsworth for ball[ce] of his Acc[t] in the Lamp Department	£115:11: 6
iss[d]	The same for lighting the public Lamps	£76:19:—
iss[d]	[258] John Stoutenburgh for Iron Mongery at Belle Vue Hospital	£4: 5: 6
iss[d]	George Dominick for Timber on Repairs to the Bridge leads to Harlem	£3: 8:11
iss[d]	Josiah Furman for numbering the Houses in several Streets 5[th] & 7[th] Wds	£9: 3: 6
iss[d]	Isaac Johnson for Repairs to a Well & Pump in Catharine Street	£3:19: 6
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Nov^{r} 6th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Gabriel Furman, Theoph^{s} Beekman, Anthony Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman, John B Coles

Assist^{ts}: John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Brown, Garret Harsen, Philip J Arcularius

M^{r} Mayor & the Members proceeded to visit & examine the state of the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell & the situation of the Inhabitants & Prisoners therein and being returned the [258] Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers attending the same & found them just & right.

Those of the Alms House amount^{g} to..... £3050:17: 4½
Bridewell.....to..... 522: 8:—

An Estimate of the Commissioners for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved viz^{t}

For the Alms House..... £3000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 500:—:—

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} for the payment thereof

The Street Committee on the Petition of Nath^{l} Clark (who undertook & was appointed to dig out & fill in the Street commonly called Crown Point Street at Corlears Hook for reimbursement of Monies by him expended in that Business Report that the sixty Dollars advanced by M^{r} Clark ought to be reimbursed him by this Board & that he ought to be allowed twenty Dollars for his Trouble & Attention therein; which was agreed to by the B^{d} & it was ordered that

iss^{d} M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasurer for payment.

The Street Committee on the subject of Pecks Slip Report that in their Opinion the Bulkhead & the Pier on the West side ought to be repaired & the head of the Slip dug out below the lowest Tide, until the [259] Piers shall be extended out into the River so far as to make suitable Accomodations for the Market Boats beyond front Street; which was agreed to by the Board.

The Street Committee on the Petition of David Marshall Report it as their Opinion that he ought to be directed to take Charge of the

House erected on the new public burying Ground & to commence the interring of the dead there instead of the old Potters field; which was agreed to by the Board.

The Committee appointed to report a proper distribution of the Monies appropriated for encouraging & maintaining Schools in the City & County of New York Report that the annual Sum appropriated by Law and the annual Sum directed to be raised by Tax for that purpose amount together for this present Year to £2832 & that the one sixth part thereof amounting to £472 which is directed to be distributed among the several charity Schools in this City ought to be distributed as follows viz[t]

The Charity School of the Episcopal Church	£50
of the presbyterian Church	£100
of the Reformed P. Dutch Church	£100
of the United German Lutherin Church	£25
of the Scotch Pres Church	£50
of the Methodist Church	£37
The Affrican free School	£110
	£472

[260] And that the other five sixth Parts of the said Sum amounting to £2360 ought to be applied towards the erection support & maintenance of one or more free Schools in the said City & which Schools ought to be established under the direction of Commissioners to be appointed for that purpose by the Corporation which Report was agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that

iss[d] M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay the Sums distributed among the Charity Schools as aforesaid.

Ordered that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets cause all such of the Butchers Stalls in the several Markets as are not already numbered, to be numbered in such manner as to be easily seen

Ordered that Jacob Acker be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 1 vice Ab[m] Dey resigned to Engine N° 4 Peter Lourilliard vice Corn[s] B Sebring resigned.

To Engine N° 21 Francis Lynch vice James Tylee appointed Engineer & to N° 23 John Purdy vice Yellis Mandeville removed & William Brown vice Henry Fassaur resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps	£113:17:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for Constables & Marshalls conveying Vagrants to Bridewell	£5: 7: 6
iss[d]	Rob[t] Valentine for Repairs to Albany Pier	£25:12:10
iss[d]	John Hutson for sweeps Chimnies [at] Goal	£2: 0: 6

issd	Thads Mayhew for Lamp Oil.....	$488 44/100
issd	Martin Morrison for the Sum assessed on the Corporation for paving Catharine Street.....	£15:13: 1

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[262] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 9th day of Novr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius	Assists

A Letter from Carlisle Pollock on the subject of widening Rector Street through the Water Lot intended to be granted to him was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a proposal of Edward Livingston The Board agree that instead of his paying the Sum of £800 as the Consideration for the Soil from high to low Water Mark in front of his Lots on Hudson River the annual Interest of that Sum at the rate of seven per Cent per annum be reserved in the Grant & redeemable on his paying the principal

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for the sinking of a Well at the new public burying Ground.

[263] Ordered that the Committee contract with Mr Whytlaw or any other to make the Drains necessary for leading the Water from the Alms House, Goal & Bridewell into the Common Sewer leading to the River.

Complaint having been repeatedly made to the board of great impositions by some of the Cartmen in this City in demanding greater prices for Cartage than are by Law allowed and established and of frauds committed by persons who drive carts without being licensed or their Carts numbered or under vacated licences of persons who had been Cartmen in this City And the board having revised the Law for the regulating of Carts and Cartmen and so established the prices or rates of Cartage as in their judgment will amply compensate the Cartmen for their Services have on this day directed the Law to be republished for the information of their fellow citizens and have also passed the following orders or resolutions which they have likewise

directed to be published that all concerned may govern themselves accordingly viz[t]

Resolved. That this Board request the present Mayor to revoke and call in all the licences heretofore granted by him to drive Carts in this City and that all such licences shall from and after the fifteenth day of December next be deemed void; and that he be further requested to grant a new licence together with a copy of these Resolutions and the Law aforesaid to all such of the present Cartmen as shall chuse to continue in that employ and to all persons to be hereafter appointed by him

That the Cartmen be arranged into classes or [264] Companies to consist of a foreman and 49 other Cartmen; and that a list of the names of each Class be delivered to the foreman thereof

That it shall be the duty of each foreman to attend to the execution as well of the Laws resolutions and orders of this board, as the orders of the Mayor for the time being touching the Cartmen And that the directions of the respective foremen on that subject be complied with

That it shall also be the duty of each foreman on the second Mondays in February May August and November in every year to make a report in writing to the Mayor of all vacancies which have happened in their respective Classes by death forfeiture resignation or removal from the City.

That it shall be the duty of each Cartman on the first Monday in every month to report his name and place of abode in writing to the foreman of his Class; and that each Cartman who shall refuse or neglect to report to his foreman as aforesaid or shall for two months neglect to drive his Cart (unless prevented by inability from sickness or otherwise) shall be considered as having relinquished the business of a Cartman and his licence be vacated

That no Cartman shall be permitted to have in his employ more than one Cart nor shall any person under the age of twenty one years be permitted to drive a Cart (without a special permission [265] for the purpose obtained from the Mayor) upon pain of the Cartman owning such Cart forfeiting his licence

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th Novr 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, John B Coles, Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer, Garret Harsen, Philip J Arcularius, John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn } Assistts

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Crown Point Street was read & ratified by the Board & Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart & Thomas J Stagg to dig &c &c

The like for paving the foot or side Walks of front Street from Coenties Slip to Wall Street was read & ratified by the Board & Corns C. Wynkoop was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Russel & Gosman to do the paving

The Street Committee on the Subject of the proposals of Messrs Mangin & Goerick [266] City Surveyors for the making of a Survey of all the Streets of this City reported that *that* Messrs Mangin & Goerick would undertake the Business on certain Terms mentioned by the Committee & to which the Board acceeded And Mr Recorder was requested to aid the Committee in drawing the Articles of Contract

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the foot Walk on the So side of Chambers Street from Greenwich Street to the West side of Henry Ten Brooks House; was read & ratified by the Board & John McCombs was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the Street

A Request of Aaron White to make an Area to his House in Van de Water Street was read & granted.

The Street Committee on the Letter of Carlisle Pollock report that ten feet ought to be reserved from the Water Lot intended to be granted to him to widen Rector Street which was agreed to by the Board.

The following Regulation of Rector Street was reported by the Street Committee & agreed to by the Board viz

"Descent from the western Kennel in Greenwich Street to the present extent of Rector Street at the River with 1½ Inch on 10

feet: In consequence the said Street will require to be raised 1 foot 1 Inch at the extent of 63 feet distance from the western Kennel in Greenwich Street—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 5 Inches & at the extent of 78 feet further the Wall plate will require to be raised 11 Inches.

[267] Ordered that Gamaliel Smith be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 15 vice Samuel Wallgrove resigned And David Jacobs to N° 14 vice Tunis Riker resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Garret Harsen on Acct public Works	£300:—:—
issd	Oliver Mildeberger for Repairs to a Well in Van de Water Street	18: 6: 6
issd	Peterson & Riley for the like in Chatham St	£5:17: 6
issd	Isaac Montagnie for the like at Hudson Market	£10:17: 6
issd	Russel & Gosman for a Drain at the Exchange Slip & front Street	£16:18:11
issd	Justices of the £10 Court	$474
	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	Joshua Barker for a new fire Engine Hs	£17: 7:10
issd	Wm Hardenbrook for tin Spout's to the new Fish Market	£2: 2: 6

[268] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 20th 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob DelaMontagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen John Bogert Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius

Assistts

The Clerk presented to the Board a Draft of the Lease to Gilbert Van Mater for the Ferry to Brooklyn for three Years from the 15th Instant at the Rent of $2000 per annum which was approved by the Board & ordered to be engrossed & with the Common Seal of the City affixed thereto delivered to Mr Van Mater on his executing the counterpart and a Bond in $4000 with good Security (to be adjudged of by Mr Mayor) to secure the payment of the Rent & the performance of the Covenants.

Ordered that the paving of the foot Walks in Front Street be suspended 'till the next Spring.

And the working of the Mud Drudge 'till further Orders.

Ordered that Abraham Heller be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 8 vice Jacob Hart resign'd And Jacob Fullam to N° 16 vice Benj[a] Haight resigned

[269] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats on Acc[t] for fire Wood for the Courts of Justice &c[c]	£60:—:—
issd	The same for 1 Q[r] Salary & Disbursm[ts]	£22: 2:—
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£539:14: 8
issd	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	£35: 6: 6
issd	Bernard O Blenis for ball[ce] of his Acc[t] as Clerk of the Police Office	£14: 6: 4

Ordered that the Licences issued to Butchers who have no Stands, in the Fly Market be vacated.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Nov[r] 27[th] 1797

Present/ James Kent Esq[r] Recorder

Theoph[s] Beekman
Jotham Post
Anthony Post
Jacob De la Montagnie
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Mangle Minthorne
Philip J Arcularius
Nich[s] Carmer

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issd	Ald[n] DelaMontagnie on Acc[t] tow[ds] Alms H[s] Sewer	$1000
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps & setting Lamp Posts	£104:17:—
issd	John J Roome Clk of Election 5[th] Wd	£0:16:—
issd	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads	£262: 8: 5
issd	Jacob Harsen for the like	£589: 1: 1
issd	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	Angevine & Hanna for watch[s] at the Goal	£15:15:—
issd	Dan[l] Dunbar for wharfage recovered ag[t] the B[d] at Burlings Slip	$2^{97}/_{100}$

[270] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 4th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn
Jacob De laMontagnie		Garret Harsen
Richard Furman		John Bogert
Anthony Post		Anthony Brown
Jotham Post		Assistts

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in the Broad Way from Scott L Clarks House to the arched Bridge & the other Streets in connection. was read & ratified by the Bd and Joshua Barker was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Philip Ruckle to execute the Work on his giving Bond with good Surety in $2000 to compleat the Business by the first of October next

A Request of Colo Bauman to erect a Portico to cover the Door of the Post Office from the weather; was read & granted

Ordered that Willet Seaman be appointed a fire Man & Fire Warden in the 3d Ward vice William Hardenbrook resigned Jacamiah Ackerly in the 7th Ward vice Nathaniel Fanning removed And Isaac Stoutenburgh in the 4th Wd vice John Bogert resigned.

[271] The Committee on the small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the followg viz^t

9000	of 3d	£112:10:—
8000	2d	66:13: 4
8000	1d	33: 6: 8
		212:10:—
3 imperfect Sheets		18:—
		£213: 8:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	James Stryker & Saml Stillwell Trustees of a School at Blooming Dale in the 7th Wd (out of the Monies raised by Tax & granted by the Legislature) for the sd School	$50
issd	Robert Lenox for a fire Engine made at Phila	$690 19/100
issd	Messrs Mangin & Gœrick Surveyors on acct of their Contract to make a new Survey of all the Streets	$200
issd	Casimir Th: Gœrick for Surveyg Streets	£19: 4:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£2:18: 9
issd	David Marshall for supg Potters field	£21:—:—
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps	£7: 0: 6
issd	Jacob Tabellie for supg Streets	£64: 6: 9
issd	Alexr McDougall for hanging an alarm Bell on the new Watch Hs	£4: 2:—
issd	John Hyde for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the British Troops	£53:17:—

[272] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
John B Coles
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office with their Accounts was read; from which it appears that a ballce of £197:3:5 remains in their hands which the Bd direct them to retain 'till further Order & the Board signify & declare their approbation of the Conduct of & the Accounts rendered by the said Commissioners; excepts that they consider the Charge made by Mr Dodge of 24/ for a Coffin as exorbitant;

A proposal of Gilbert Van Mater for an extension of his Lease of Brooklyn Ferry to seven Years & to make such deduction in the Rent as to enable him to employ a third Person in each of the lesser Boats to act as Helmsman; was read & rejected

[273] Mr Recorder presented to the Bd a Draft of Articles of Agreement between this Board & Messrs Gœrick & Mangin for the making of a Survey & Map of this City with all the Streets & Water Lots which was read & approved by the Bd & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed to one part thereof on the other Party's executing the other part

Ordered that the two Watchmen at the Bridewell be stationed at some other proper Place or Places in the 6th Ward & that the two Men employed to guard the Goal be discharged.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct	£300:—:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	John Ten Eyck for Gun Powder on the celebration of the last 25th Novr	$57 87/100
issd	Saml Delameter for a Leader to a fire Engine	£6: 5: 7½
issd	Wm Beekman for carriage Hire for the Road Committee	£1:12:—
issd	Barn't B Sebring for Blacksmith Work at the Goal	£17:18: 5½

[274] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Thomas Storm	
Richard Furman		Garrit Harsen	

A Letter from Mr Shee with Receipt for the Money for the new fire Engine was read & filed.

A Letter from Robert Lylburn on the subject of the unsettled State of the boundary Line between the Proprietors of Lands on the Bloomingdale Road & the Common Lands was read & referred to the Street or Land Committee.

Ordered that Mr Harsen direct the making of such new Watchmens Boxes as may be necessary agreable to a Report made by the Captts of the City Watch

A Release of Parcel of the Common Lands to Danl McCormick, Charles Smith and William Seton (which said Lands were on an Agreement sold to Thomas B Bridgen & by his consent conveyed to the said Danl McCormick Charles Smith & Wm Seton to secure the Bank of New York for Monies advanced to the said Thomas B Bridgen was read & approved by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto & Mr Mayor to sign the same on behalf of this Board.

[275] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 22d day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assists
Richard Furman		Anthony Brown	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Bogert	
Jotham Post		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
		Philip J Arcularius	
		Nichs Carmer	

The following Estimate of the Monies which will be required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of this City the ensuing Year was read & approved vizt

City & County	Alms House		£14000:—:—
	Bridewell		1000:—:—
	Roads		1200:—:—
	Streets		1500:—:—
	Crim[l] Prisoners		1300:—:—
	New Alms House, to repay the Monies borrowed & to compleat Build[g]		4000:—:—
	Contingencies		2300:—:—
			£25300:—:—
City.	Watch. 66 Men 2 Capt[s] & 2[d] Assist[s] for 7 Nights is £139:2:6	£7234:10:—	
	Extra Watchmen at Goal & Bridewell	300:—:—	
	Fuel & Light	100:—:—	
			7634:10:—
	Lamps—936—Oil .....9360 Gall[s]		
	Bridewell Alms H[s]..... 562		
	Gall[s] 9922 @ 8/	£3968:16:—	
	Light[g] & supperinting	1030:—:—	
	Repair[g] & making	500:—:—	
			5498:16:—
	Wells & Pumps		500:—:—
	Contingencies		1000:—:—
			14633: 6:—

[276] The Draft of a Law for the establishment of a Police Office for the more effectually to discover & apprehend Offenders in this City was also read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the said Estimate & Draft of a Law be delivered to the Members from this City & County in the Legislature & that they be requested to endeavor to obtain the passing of Laws for raising the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate & for the establishment of the said Police Office, that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Request & that M[r] Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Petition of Andrew Hopper for a settlement of the Boundary Line between his Land & the Common Lands was read & referred to the Land Committee.

Ordered that the City Treas[r] receive from the State Treas[r] the $2000 granted by the Legislature to be applied to the maintenance & support of such Poor in this City as shall not have gained any settlement in this State.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn DelaMontagnie towards the Sewers & Drains at the Alms Hs	£208:10: 9
issd	Garret Harsen on Acct	£100:—:—
issd	The same for ballce of his Acct for public Work by order of this Bd	£107:15:—
issd	Robt Valentine for removing a Store (on the Corporation Gd at Pecks Slip) to open Front Street	£221: 1:—

[277] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Decr 27th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Theophs Beekman Anthony Post	} Esqrs Aldn
John Bogert Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer	} Assists

Ordered that the Treasr take on Loan from Catharine Turnbull Wife of George Turnbull $700 Dollars with Interest at five per Cent. that a Bond be prepared for the same & the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

A Petition of Mary Nichols for indemnification against the Expences which will arise by her Houses being under mined in the digging out of the Broad Way agreable to the Regulation was read And it was determined that no Relief could be given in the Premisses.

issd & delivd to John W Mulligan Atty at Law

On an application of Mrs Cathn Parsons for payment of £50 for two Marquees by her sold & delivered to the Health Committee in 1793 Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof on her producing a Letter or Order from her husband Wm Parsons who is absent beyond Sea authorizing her to receive the Money.

Ordered that Aldn R Furman be of the Committee for a Reform of the Alms House vice Aldn De La Montagnie who is attends the Legislature in his Seat

[278] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer for ballce of his Acct agt the new Alms Hs	£94: 5: 3
issd	John Borris for use of his House & necessaries by the Bd on public Business	£8:16:—
issd	Peter Cole for lights Lamps	£78: 9:—
issd	The same for placing new Do	£19: 7:—
issd	Bernd O Blenis for ballce of his Acct as Clk of Police Office	$34 9/100

issd	John Smith for cleang Wells.....	£17: 9:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Jany 10th 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, Jotham Post, John B Coles, Esqrs Aldn — Mangle Minthorn, Garret Harsen, John Bogert, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Brown

The following Petition to the Legislature was read and agreed to by the Board vizt "The Petition of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened. [279] respectfuly sheweth

That the increase of Complaints and Prosecutions in the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in & for the City of New York has rendered the four annual Terms of the said Court not sufficient for the dispatch of Business and the complete attainment of public Justice. That two additional Terms have become necessary for those Purposes and your Petitioners beg leave to suggest that if the Terms be granted the following arrangement of the Terms of the said Court to commence from and after the tenth day of April next would be convenient & suitable to wit. That the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace for the said City be held on the first Tuesday in June the first Tuesday in August—the first Tuesday in October, the first Tuesday in December, the first Tuesday in February & the first Tuesday in April in every Year and that each of the said Sessions may last continue & be held, if in the Judgement of the Court the due administration of Justice should require it until the several Tuesdays next following inclusive.

[280] And your Petitioners further represent that a fit Person specially charged by Law with the Conduct of criminal Prosecutions in the said Court and with a competent Provision for his support to be paid out of the Fines Penalties and Forfeitures arising within the said City would greatly conduce to the prompt and effectual administration of Justice And your Petitioners further respectfully represent that in their Judgement it would be fit and desireable that, that part of the Bridewell in the said City which was lately made a temporary

place for the safe keeping of State Criminals be established by Law as a part of the Goal of the said City & County for the confinement of Criminals only under the particular Care & Charge of the Keeper of the Bridewell of the said City. That such an establishment would contribute to the safe keeping of Criminals & would greatly accommodate the numerous Persons from time to time confined in the Goal of the said City & County for Debt."

Ordered that the Common Seal of the said City be affixed to the said Petition & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

[281] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£36:18:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Jany 15th 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post } Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn, Garret Harsen, John Bogert, Antho Brown, Nichs Carmer } Assistts

On reading a Report of the Commissioners of the Alms House in which they state the particular Situation & Circumstances of the Institution at present & which Report was approved of by the Board A Petition to the Legislature was read setting forth the heavy burthen imposed on this City in the maintenance & support of Emigrant Paupers who have gained no legal settlement in any particular Place & praying Relief in the Premisses;

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petition & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd [282] And that the said Report on the Alms be printed in *Hand Bills to be sent to the Legislature with the said Petition.

Ordered that Thomas Willets be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice Antho Oliver removed from this City.

* Page 283 is one of these hand bills, in such a dilapidated condition, however, that it is impossible to print it. A similar hand bill, published two years earlier, which was discovered among the loose papers in the custody of the city clerk, has been inserted as a plate following page 212 in this volume.—Ed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied towards Relief of indigent families.....	£200:—:—
issd	Messrs Gœrick & Mangin on Acct of their Contract to make a new Survey of this City.....	$300:—:—

[284] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Jany 22d 1798

Present Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert	Assists
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Garret Harsen	
Richd Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post			
John B Coles			

A Petition for the running out a Pier on the West side of White Hall Slip was read & referred to the St Comtee

A Petition for erecting a Bridge across the Exchange Slip was read & referred to the same Committee.

An Application of Colo Morton for a longer Lease of some Lots of the Common Lands at the Dove Tavern near the 5 Mile Stone, or to sell the present Lease to the Corporation; was rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	John Day for Repairs to the Sewer in Roosevelt Street.	£1:16:—
issd	Thos Hazard for two Watchn at Goal.....	£17:17:—
issd	John Morton for printing.....	£17:10:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	£2:10:—
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office for ballce....	$33 5/100

[285] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Jany 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert
Anthony Post		Garret Harsen
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn
Richard Furman		Anthony Brown
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer

A Petition to the Legislature praying that the Duties imposed by Law on Sales at public Auction in this City be granted towards de-

fraying the public Expences of this City; was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Aldn G Furman be of the Committee of Accts vice Aldn R Furman 'till his return from Albany.

On reading a Petition of the Captain & Assistants of the upper Watch Ordered that they be allowed the like Pay as those of the lower Watch.

A Petition of Anna Bancker for a Grant of the Water Lots in front of her Lots at Corlears Hook was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[286] Ordered that the Committee on Schools enquire into the subject & report their Opinion as to the establishing of the School in the Alms House & the Affrican School as free Schools under the Statute for the encouragement of Schools.

The Firemen of Engine No 7 having certified to the Board their having expelled Jacob Tabelle from their Company for open violation of the Laws & disturbing the Harmony of the Company,

Ordered that the said Fire Men do attend this Bd next Monday Week to satisfy this Bd that the Charge is true & that Mr Tabelle be notified to attend also to Defend himself agt the sd Charge.

Ordered that Furman Cheesman be permitted to dig across Cherry Street for the launching of a Vessel on the express condition that he do without delay put the Street in the same Condition he found it

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 3d & the Aldn of the 5th Wards enquire & report with respect to a Store House of James Ward which obstructs the Line of Front Street at Pecks Slip

And that the Clerk write to Saml Farmar with respect to his Store House in the same situation.

[287] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 5th day of Feby 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Anthony Post Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown	Assistts

Mr Mayor with the Recorder & the other Members of the Board proceeded to visit & examine the several Wards in the Alms House &

Bridewell and the state & condition of the Inhabitants in the Alms House & the Prisoners in the Bridewell & being returned

The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers & found them just & right; amount[s]

Those of the Alms House to	£3179: 2: 2
Those of the Bridewell to	481:16:—

An Estimate of the Commiss[rs] of the Monies required for the ensuing Q[r] was read & approved by the Board viz[t]

For the Alms House	£3000:—:—
For the Bridewell	600:—:—

iss[d] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer for payment thereof accord[ly]

[288] A Memorial of the Inhabitants in Barley & Magazine Streets against the raising of those Streets to the heigth of the present Regulation was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Request of David M Clarkson that in digging out the Broad Way one half of the breadth of the side Walk may be permitted to remain in it's present situation until the Season will enable him to secure his Buildings was read & granted.

The Lamp Committee on the Represen[ta]tion of Peter Cole the Superintendant of the Lamp Department Report that the usual practice is to light the Lamps twenty one Nights in each Month; but that in the Opinion of the Committee the Inhabitants will be better accommodated if the Lamps were lighted twenty four Nights in a Month & that the Lamp lighters should be allowed the proportionable encreased pay accordingly; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the Constables Marshalls & City Watchmen be allowed Pay for conveying Criminals to Gaol and Vagrants to Bridewell at the same rate as the allowance heretofore to the Constables & Marshalls for conveying Vagrants to Bridewell.

[289] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Rinier Skaats on Acc[t] to purchase fire Wood for C[ts] of Justice	£40:—:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell	£5: 9: 6
iss[d]	Corn[s] B Sebring for Iron Work to the Goal	£30:16: 3
iss[d]	George Forman for printing a State of the Alms House in H[d] Bills	£4:—:—
iss[d]	The Justices of the £10 Court	8456
iss[d]	James Culbertson for Watchmen	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of febv 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Anthony Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn	Assists

The Board having heard the Foreman & Members of the Company of Engine N° 7 on Oath as to the Complaint agt Jacob Tablie one of their Fellows for rude & improper Conduct towards the Company & refusing to observe the Rules & regulations established & agreed to by the [290] Company & disturbing the Harmony thereof and Mr Tablie attending having been also heard in his defence The Board determined that he be removed from the Office or Place of a fireman of this City And that John Drake be appointed in his stead

A Proposal of Jonathan Hunt to supply the City with fresh Water was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

On the application of William King Ordered that he be permitted to lay his Timber for the Frame of a House in the fields for twelve Days.

A Petition to the Legislature in the follows Words was read & agreed to by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed & Mr Mayor to sign it on behalf of the Board viz:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New York.

The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened.

Respectfully sheweth.

That as well for the Ornament & Improvement of the City as for the encouragement of the Trade and commerce of the State and the Safety of the Shipping at the Wharves of this City, Your petitioners have lately directed a permanent Street of seventy feet wide to be laid out and compleated at and on the extremity of their Grants already made and hereafter to be made to Individuals; on the East River called South Street and on the North or Hudson's River called West Street; South and [291] West of which Streets no buildings of any description are to be permitted to be erected, so that Vessels lying at the Wharfs may be secured from Fires.

That by reason of the curving and otherwise irregular State of the Shore at low Water Mark in the East and the North Rivers, at

the time of the making of the Grants by the predecessors of your Petitioners, a General Map of which, if ever made, cannot now be found, the Grants heretofore made are deemed to extend to unequal Distances into both Rivers, which occasions difficulties in making the permanent Streets aforesaid regular; And that in many instances, altho Your Petitioners are willing gratuitously to give the Soil under the Water on which those Streets of seventy feet Wide are to be made, Yet doubts are entertained, whether your Petitioners can compel any of the proprietors of the Lots fronting thereon and who may be unwilling, to make those Streets for public Use, in any given reasonable time to be appointed by the Common Council.

And Your Petitioners further shew that part of their plan aforesaid was to extend piers at right Angles from the said permanent Streets into the Rivers, at proper distances from each other to be determined by the Corporation with suitable Bridges for the Accommodation of Sea Vessels, and so constructed as to admit the Currents at both Ebb and Flood in both Rivers to wash away all Dirt and Filth from the Wha[r]ves and thereby render the health of the Inhabitants of the City more safe and secure: but Doubts have also arisen whether Your Petitioners can compel the individual proprietors of the Wharves to sink and lay out those piers; or if they shall refuse, whether Your Petitioners will be authorized to sink and build those piers at the Expence of the City and receive the Wharfage without incurring a Breach of the Conditions and Covenants contained in their Grants to Individuals.

And forasmuch as some adequate remedy [292] is essentially necessary in the premisses as well to secure the health of the Citizens as to effect Ornament and regularity in the Fronts of the City and convenience and safety to the Trade and Commerce thereof.

Your Petitioners pray that the Honorable the Legislature will confer such power and authority to your petitioners as shall be proper to remove the difficulties and Doubts above stated, or to make such other provision in the premises as to the Legislature shall seem meet.

[Seal] Sealed with the Common Seal of the said City Witness Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor, this 12th day of February 1798.

M^{r} Mayor having retired from the Common Council M^{r} Recorder took the Chair and then the two following reports of the auditing Committee on M^{r} Mayor's Accounts were presented read and agreed to by the Board, viz^{t}

The Auditing Committee report to the Common Council of the

City, That they have examined the Annual Account and vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, for Market Fees received and paid by him from the fourth day of January to the 31st day of December 1796, inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Rinier Skaats and James Culbertson [including £49:4 paid by his permission or order, for sweeping & cleansing the Markets] the Sum of One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven Pounds ten shillings & eleven pence. That the Mayor has retained the one half of the lastmentioned Sum to his own use and has paid to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer, the Balance of Eight hundred & forty four Pounds eleven shillings and six Pence.

The Auditing Committee further report That they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor, for Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to [293] Tavern Keepers, between the first day of March and the 31st day of December last; That he has received for 902 Licences the Sum of One thousand three hundred and fifty three pounds: That he has retained the one fifth part thereof, being £270:12 to his own use; That he has paid the like Sum to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Licences £11:5:0 That he has also paid to William W. Gilbert £20:6:0 as a Commission for receiving and paying three fifths parts of the said Sum of £1353, being £811:16 due to the Board, & that he has paid the Balance of Seven hundred & eighty pounds, five shillings to Mr Phœnix the City Treasurer; All which appears from the Accounts accompanying this Report.

New York Febv 15. 1797. Jacob DeLa Montagnie } Auditing
Thomas Storm } Committee

The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, for Market fees received and paid by him from the second day of January to the thirtieth day of December 1797, inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Hugh Gobel and James Culbertson Deputy Clerks of the Market [including £88:14 paid by his Order for Sweeping and cleansing the Markets] the Sum of One thousand eight hundred and forty Pounds and thirteen shillings; That the Mayor has retained the one half of the lastmentioned Sum to his own use: "& also the "further Sum of four hundred and fifteen Pounds sixteen shillings "allowed him by the Board on 2772 Tavern Licences at 3/ each, "granted in the Years 1793, 1794, 1795 & 1796" & has paid the Balance to Daniel Phœnix Esqr the City Treasurer.

The Committee further report that they have [294] also examined

the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor, for Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to Tavern keepers from the first day of March to the twenty fifth day of December last, inclusive—That he has received for 1021 Licences the Sum of One thousand five hundred and thirty one Pounds, ten shillings. That he has retained three tenths thereof to his own use, That he has paid two tenth parts thereof to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman thirteen Pounds four shillings for printing the Blanks; That he has also paid to William W. Gilbert Esquire £19:2:10 as a Commission for receiving & paying the one half of the said Sum of £1531:10 due to the Board; And that he has paid the Ballance of seven hundred & thirty three pounds eight shillings and two pence to Dan[l] Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer; All which appears from the Accounts accompanying this Report.
New York Feb[y] 12[th] 1798

Rich[d] Furman } Auditing
John Bogert. } Committee

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps.....	£95:13: 6
iss[d]	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to a Well in Barley Street	£6:12: 6
iss[d]	David Marshall for superintends Potters field burying G[d]	£21:—:—
iss[d]	John Hoghland for Leather Caps for the Watchmen....	£6:12:—

[295] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday feb[y] 19[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

John B Coles, Gabriel Furman, Richard Furman, Theoph[s] Beekman, Jotham Post } Esq[rs] Ald[n]

John Bogert, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn, Garret Harsen } Assist[ts]

A Petition of Isaac Man for payment of a quantity of Pine Logs procured on a Contract with the Corporation in the year 1775 for Pipes of the Works to lead Fresh Water through the streets; was read & referred to the Ald[n] of the 1[st] & 2[d] & the Assist[t] of the 4[th] Wards.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Roosevelt Street for an alteration in the Regulation of Chatham Street to lead the Water at the Tea Water Pump; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading an application of George Gosman Ordered that he be permitted to make an Area & Vaults under the Street in front of a House he intends to build in Cortlandt Street & to lay Bricks in the Streets for the Building

An application of W^m Betts for a Road & landing place at Horns Hook Ferry to Long Island; was read & referred to the Road Committee.

[296] Ordered that the Company of the fire Engine N° 15 at the City Hall take Charge of the new Engine imported from Phil^a & that the same be deposited in the Engine House at the City Hall and that the old Engine be removed thence to such place in the 7^th Ward as the Ald^n & Assist^t of the 7^th & the Assist^t of the 6^th Ward shall direct

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^d	James Culbertson for City Watch^n	£139:13:—
iss^d	Nich^s Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
iss^d	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police Office for ball^ce of his Acc^t	$31 68/100
iss^d	Rinier Skaats Door Keeper & Messenger for 1 Q^r Services & Disbursem^ts	£22:12:—

[297] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26^th day of feb^y 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor

Gabriel Furman Anthony Post Theoph^s Beekman John B Coles Jotham Post	Esq^rs Ald^n	John Bogert Garret Harsen Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn	Assist^t

His Excellency the Governor with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esq^r to the Office of Mayor Jacob John Lansing Esq^r to the Office of Sheriff & Charles Dickenson Esq^r to the Office of Coroner of this City for the year ensuing; their several Commissions under the Great Seal of the State were read & published as usual & the Sheriff having produced his Bond which was approved by the Board & filed M^r Mayor, the Sherif & the Coroner respectively took the Oaths of Office prescribed by the Charter.

A Petition to the Legislature for a Law to make the Sum assessed on any Lot for the paving or digging out or filling in of any Street a Lien on such Lot to secure the payment of the Money so assessed; was read & [298] approved by the Board & it was ordered that the

Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall in the second Ward on Tuesday the 6th March next of an Assessor in the stead of William Denning Esqr who is a Member of the Legislature.

Ordered that Mr Harsen set the Mud Drudge at Work in cleaning out the several Slips in this City commencing with Coenties Slip.

Ordered that the Clerk advertize for receiving Proposals to rent Bell Vue Hospital for one Year from the 1st April next; on Condition that if the whole or any part of the Buildings or Land should in the course of the Year be wanted as an Hospital or Lazaretto the same or such part thereof as may be required to be immediately surrendered up.

Ordered that Richard C Ham be appointed a Fire Man to Engine N° 11 vice James Moore removed from this City

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£90:15: 8
issd	Henry Dawson for Taxes on the Ferry House at Brooklyn & for necessaries to the Committees.....	£33:14: 6
issd	Gilbert Van Mater for liquor for the Workmen on Repairs to the Wharf at Brooklyn.....	£2:16:—

[299] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of March 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
Jotham Post		John Bogert	
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
Anthony Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman			

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to appoint Richard Harison Esqr to the Office of Recorder of this City, Mr Harison attended in his Seat & his Commission being read he took the Oath prescribed by the Charter

The Poll List of the Election held in the second Ward of an Assessor was read & Josiah Shippey appearing to have been duly elected, he attended & took the Oath of his Office.

A Letter from Dr Bayley the Health Officer on the subject of an

allowance beyond that granted by the Legislature to him for his extra Services in the Department of Commiss^{r} of the Health Office, was read the Consideration postponed 'till next Meeting.

[300] A Release of Augustus Van Cortlandt Esq^{r} to this Corporation of certain Ground for the purpose of widening Beaver Lane with a Condition or Agreem^{t} therein "that he shall be freed from any Expence that has or may hereafter accrue on account of finishing the said Street" was presented to the Board & read And the Board agreed to accept the said Release on the above Terms or Condition.

A Petition of Cortlandt Van Bueren & W^{m} G Miller "for liberty to incert private Drains into the Common Sewer of Broad Street to carry off the Water from the Yards of their respective Houses" was read And the B^{d} determined that this Priviledge extended only to the draining off the Water from Cellars & not from Yards and that their Request could not be granted: But that the Petitioners are at liberty to incert Drains into the Common Sewer under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward to drain the Bye Water from their respective Cellars

The Clerk presented to the Board. sealed Proposals from George Shonnard, Thomas Palmer & Charlotte Johnson for the farming of Belle Vue Hospital & Land And previous to the opening of them the Board determined that it should not be let for the purpose of keeping a public House

The proposals being opened it appeared that Shonnard offered £80 —Palmer £50 & Johnson £50. Whereupon it was ordered that they be referred to the Land Com^{tee} [301] to enquire into & if the said Persons intended to use it as a public House that the Committee should dispose of it in such manner as best to answer the Purposes for which the Place was purchased

Ordered that the Law for preventing Nuisances & cleaning the Streets be republished & to commence its operation on Friday next

Ordered that Ald^{n} Coles & G Furman & M^{r} Bogert be a Committee to confer with the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office whether further Measures can be devised on the Subject of Nuisances & cleaning the Streets.

The Committee for cancelling small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the follow^{g} viz^{t}

8,700	of 1^{d}	£36: 5:—
8,000	2^{d}	66:13: 4
7,100	3^{d}	88:15:—
		£191:13: 4

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men to Engine N^{o} 10 viz^{t}

David Marsh. as foreman	Hazael Myer.
John Pell.	James Ryckman.
John Coutant.	Frederick Reaker.
Matthias Jorden.	John Clark.
Gilbert Coutant.	Joseph Graham.
Jacob Blanck.	John Andriese.
John Smith.	Matthew Goodman.
John Hilliken.	James M^{c}Evers.
John Vark.	Lewis Cox.
William Palmer.	Robert Wade
Samuel Hallet.	Nicholas Romaine Jun^{r}

[302] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	Joshua Barker for the Assessm^{t} on this Corporation for digging &^{c} the Broad Way & Streets in the Vicinity..	£118:14: 2
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for subsist^{g} crim^{l} Prisoners in Gaol & empty^{g} necess^{y} Tubs from 20th July 1797 to 21st Jan^{y} 1798	£404: 4:10
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch.....	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like.....	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	Henry Rutgers for Surveyors Fees on late Improvem^{t} John Street	£4: 8:—
iss^{d}	Jacob Clinch Clerk of late Election of Assessor 2^{d} Wd..	£0:16:—
iss^{d}	George Hoppell for deepening & cleaning a Well behind Trin. Church	£8:11:—

[303] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of March 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

John B Coles	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen	Assist^{s}
Anthony Post		John Bogert	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Theoph^{s} Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Nich^{s} Carmer	
Rich^{d} Furman			

Ordered that a Letter, constituting Rich^{d} Harison Esq^{r} Attorney & Council of this Corporation, be made & that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

On the Application of D^{r} Bayley the Health Officer Ordered that he be permitted to occupy the small Corner Lot at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets near the Battery for the Residence of his Boatman during the Pleasure of this B^{d}

Ordered that a notification be published in the News Papers recommending it to the Proprietors of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & Catharine Slip to make the new Street of 70 feet Wide called South Street by the first day of January next

[304] An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners & Occupants of Water Lots between Whitehall & Catharine Slips to cause them to be so filled up & raised with wholesome Earth as that *that* the Water will run off freely into the Street or River by the first day of July next under the penalty of one hundred Dollars for each Lot

Also for the raising & filling in like manner certain sunken Lots in the sixth Ward by the same day under the like penalty.

The Health Commissrs having proposed certain Amendments to the Law for preventing Nuisances, the Board proceeded to revise & amend the same and the said Ordinance as amended was passed by the Board & ordered to be published in the News Papers.

On a suggestion that the Road from the Bridge across Harlem River towards this City would be very much improved if it was continued on a strait Line from the School House at Harlem through the Lands of Sampson Benson across the Mill Creek 'till it meets the Post Road between the six & seven Mile Stones, It was ordered that the Land Committee confer with Mr Benson & others proprietors of the Land through which the Road will pass & report the Result to the Board.

[305] An application of Colo Morton for a renewal of a Lease of certain of the Common Lands at the Dove Tavern near the five Mile Stone or to make an Assignment of the Term unexpired of his present Lease & to sell the Improvements to this Bd was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct	£400:—:—
issd	Martin Morrison for so much assessed on the Corporation for digging out &c Crown Point St	£75: 1: 7
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£98: 5: 4
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil	£697: 6: 4
issd	Adolph Bussing for removg a Pauper	£2:—:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£3:10:—

[306] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn
Anthony Post		Anthony Brown
Richd Furman		John Bogert
Theophs Beekman		

The Commissioners of the Health Office by Letter of this day represent to this Bd that if [the] Government should proceed to compleat the Fortifications on Bedlows Island & more especially if Troops should be placed there in the course of the ensuing Summer it will in their Opinion become improper to continue the Lazaretto there And therefore request to know whether this Bd will indulge them with the use of Belle Vue which appears to them to be the only proper Place they at present know of to accommodate the Sick from Sea & such from the City as may be attacked with pestilential or infectious disorders during the ensuing Summer. Whereupon this Bd do determine that the said Commissioners may have the use of Belle Vue for the purpose aforesaid.

[307] The Commissioners in the same Letter also represent that the Common Sewer of Broad Street is in a disagreeable State & will become very offensive in the Summer; Ordered that this Subject be refer[red]: to the Aldn of the 1st & 2d & the Assist of the 2d Wds to examine & take Order thereon.

A Petition of Messrs Pearsall, Bowne & Stillwell was read proposing to open a Road through their Land at Blooming Dale to the Commons & pray[ing] that it may be continued through the Commons And the Board determined that on the Petitioners laying out a Road of sixty feet in breadth through their Land this Bd will continue it through the Common Lands.

A Petition of the English Lutheran Church to purchase or Lease the Piece of Ground on Magizine Street whereon the old Powder House formerly stood was read & rejected.

Ordered that William Sharp be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 23 vice John T Campbell resigned.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 7th Ward direct the Building of a House for the Engine lately appropriated for the 7th Ward in such proper place as they can procure.

[308] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk in the Police Office for ballce of his Acct	$35 80/100
issd	Hopkins & Co for printg	£3:—:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
	The same for Disbursemts	10: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of April 1798

Present/ the same as Yesterday

Pursuant to the Statutes for regulating Elections the Board proceed to elect Inspectors for the ensuing Election to be held on the last Tuesday of April Instant & the following Persons were duly elected viz^t

1st Ward	Jacob Morton Andrew Morris Rynier Suydam	2d Wd	William Neilson Samuel Boyd Solomon Simpson
3d Wd	John Cozine William Bowne Philip Brasher	4th Wd	Robert Dale Jacob Le Roy James Warner
5th Wd	William Rhinelander Archibald Kerly Leonard Fisher	6th Wd	John Tabele John Crolius Junr David Heckle
7th Wd	Jacamiah Ackerly David Deas Samuel Stilwell		

Ordered that the Road Committee direct the Superintendants to commence working on the Roads as soon as the State of the Ground will permit.

[309] issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Brockholst Livingston in full for Rent of Belle Vue to 1st May next £180:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert	Assists
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
Anthony Post		Garrit Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
Richard Furman		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Thomas Storm	

A Release under the Seal of the Corporation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this City of certain of their Lands laid out for public Streets in the 6th Ward was presented to the Board & deposited with the Clerk with orders to get it proved & recorded.

Ordered that the Treasurer provide for the payment of Brockholst Livingston the consideration Money vizt £1800 for Belle Vue.

[310] This Board having agreed that the Society of Machanicks &c might extend the Line on the South side of their Piece of Ground (situate at the head of Chatham Square in the sixth Ward) about seven feet farther south as the same is now in their Possession, a Release of the same was presented & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & delivered on their Releasing to this Board the triangular Piece of their said Ground whereon the Watch House is now erected

Ordered that the Street in front of the Bridewell & where the Alms House formerly stood be assigned as a Place for exposing Horses for sale at public Auction And that an Ordinance be prepared prohibiting the same in any other place in this City except in the seventh Ward.

Ordered that the Clk publish in the news Papers that all Persons appointed to the Office of Measurers of Grain in this City who are now in the actual exercise of that business do without delay report their Names with the Date of their respective Appointments into the City Clerk's Office in the City Hall and that all such as neglect will be considered as having relinquished the Business.

A Petition for paving Chambers. Reade Barley, Church & Chappel Streets was read & referred to the Street Committee

[311] In pursuance to the Statute entitled "An Act concerning the Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace and the Goal for Offenders in & for the City and County of New York" passed 2d March last, The

Board proceeded to the appointment of "A Keeper of the Bridewell in the City of New York" and Peter Cole was appointed accordingly.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Division Street from George Street to Rutgers Street was read and ratified by the Board and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Henry Hulsart Thomas T Stagg & Abraham Stagg to pave the said Streets.

An Ordinance for paving Dey Street was read & passed by the Board.

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of a proper allowance to the Health Officers & the Commissioners of the Health Office and it was determined that the Health Officer be allowed for the two Years last past One thousand Dollars.

And the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office viz^{t} John Oothout, Jacob Abramse & Ezekiel Robins seven hundred & fifty Dollars to be divided among them for the last Year.

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} for paym^{t} thereof accord^{gly}

[312] Ordered that Thomas Cornell be appointed a Fire Man to N^{o} 15 vice Thomas Parcells resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Gerrit Harsen on Acc^{t}	£200:—:—
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} De La Montagnie for Copies of State Laws	5^{75}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 19th April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Theoph^{s} Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie

Assist^{s}: John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Nich^{s} Carmer, Antho Brown, Tho^{s} Storm, Philip J Arcularius, Garret Harsen

In pursuance of the Statute passed last Session of the Legislature entitled "an Act concerning certain Streets Wharfs & Piers And the Alms House & Bridewell in the City of New York" the Board [313] proceeded to the Consideration of the number of Persons to be ap-

pointed Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell and it was determined that the number to be appointed be five. And that the appointment of them be postponed until next Monday.

The Business of regulating & superintending the Streets being so very much encreased as to become too burthensome & requiring more time & Service than a Committee of this Board can be expected to bestow on that Service And it being considered that the Business would be more effectually executed & performed by permanent Commissrs to be appointed by this Board it was determined that two Commissrs be appointed to take the Charge & Superintendance of the Street Department and that the appointment of them be also postponed 'till next Monday

An Ordinance was passed for paving Burling Slip Street from the present pavement to Bulkhead at the River the side Walk on the West side of the said Slip from Elias Nexens House to the River—Front Street from Burling Slip to Pecks Slip and the Streets on [314] *on* each side of Pecks Slip from the present pavement to the South side of Front Street.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday April 23d 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assistts
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		Garret Harsen	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Theophs Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	

A Memorial subscribed by William Neilson, Ebenezer Stevens & John Delafield as a Committee of the Chamber of Commerce representing the defenceless State of this City against the Attacks of a few inferior Vessels of War & praying an indemnification of this Board to the amount of about 40,000 Dollars for defraying the expence of providing & mounting on field Carriages 18 or 20 heavy Cannon was read & the consideration postponed 'till next Meeting of the Board.

[315] A Release of Brockholst Livingston for the Belle Vue Farm was approved by the Board And it was ordered that on his executing it & getting it proved to be recorded and delivering up the old Title

Deeds Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay him the Consideration Money £1800.

A Release by Nicholas Gouverneur Lewis Ogden Peter Ogilvie, George Janeway, & Nicholas Low of a certain Street at Corlears Hook was read & accepted by the Board And it was ordered that the said Street be called Gouverneur Street.

A Petition complaining of an Encroachment on 4th Street in the 7th Ward was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward to enquire into & to report on.

A Petition complaining of a sunken Pond near Lispenard read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Samuel Franklin be permitted to sink a Cistern in the Street at his House in Water Street in the 5th Ward under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	David Marshall for attends Potters field Burying Gd....	£21:—:—
issd	Isaac Hicks for lamp Oil.....	$2394 33/100

[316] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 30th 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jotham Post John B Coles Anthony Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Philip J Arcularius Anthony Brown Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorn Thomas Storm	Assistts

Be it ordained that the following Bye Laws or Ordinances for the good Rule and Government of this City be continued & to be in force for one Year vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in Repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets in the City of New York"

[317] "A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale & cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs & in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York."

[318] "A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the limits & jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Horses going loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York

"A Law to prevent Goats going at large in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Horses in the City of New York"

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Memorial of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce presented & read at the last Meetg And it was thereupon Resolved that His Excellency the Governor be requested on behalf of this Board to make an Application to the President of the United States for sixteen long eighteen Pounders of those now at West Point mounted upon travelling Carriages or as many of them as can be spared with the proper Apparatus & Ammunition to be used in the Defence of this City, if necessary, until other competent Provision shall be made for that purpose either by the

United States or the Legislature of this State And that this Board will be answerable for the said Cannon Apparatus & Ammunition whenever they may be called upon to return the same.

[319] Resolved also that this Board will make Provision for supplying the said Cannon with every Article that may be necessary to render them fit for service and that in case that number cannot be had upon the said Application this Board will take the requisite Measures for procuring them as soon as may be possible in perfect confidence that the United States or the Legislature of this State will reimburse every reasonable Expence that may be incurred in providing for the Defence of this important Part of the Union.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to transmit certified Copies of the aforegoing Resolutions & of the said Memorial to His Excellency the Governor.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasr to pay Colo Ebenr Stevens $1000, on Acct towards providing proper Timber for Carriages & other Apparatus for the said Carriages in case the same should be necessary

issd

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in little Catharine Street for leave to dig out the said Street under the Direction of the Surveyors; was read & granted.

A Petition of certain indigent refugees from St Domingo for Relief was read & referred to Richard Lawrence to enquire into & report a State of their Situation

[320] A request of Thomas Smith for permission to fix a Box for storing Salt on the Walk in the Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr John Rogers may have the use of the Bowling Green in front of the Govt House on condition that he keep it in good Order & suffer no Creatures to run in it.

On a request of the fire Company of Engine No 15 for an additional number of Men Ordered that they be allowed an additional number not exceeds Six.

The Board, pursuant to the Statute in such case made & provided, proceeded to nominate & appoint Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell and the follows Persons viz^{t} William Hardenbrook—William De Peyster Willet Seaman—Elijah Cock & Richard Lawrence were duly nominated & appointed accordingly.

And Isaac Stoutenburgh & Richard Furman were appointed to manage the Street Business under this Board.

Ordered that Aldn Furman, Beekman & DelaMontagnie be a Committee to report a Reform for the Alms House—to confer with

the Commiss[rs] as to the best Mode of subsisting the crim[l] Prisoners in Bridewell, and to strengthen the Doors of the Bridewell And also to direct [321] a Survey to be made of the Ground which it will be proper to assign as Liberties of the Gaol.

Ordered that M[r] Harsen procure Stone to secure the outside of the Battery & to employ Persons to collect those lying on the South side.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Gerrit Harsen on Acc[t]	£200:—:—
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£95:16: 2
iss[d]	Sam[l] Loudon for printing	£1:15:—
iss[d]	Provo & Smith for cleans a Well	£2:12:—
iss[d]	Clerks of Election	$104

City of New York } ss. At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen on Tuesday May 1[st] 1798

The follow[s] Persons were appointed Overseers of the public Wells & Pumps in the several Wards of this City viz[t]

1[st] W[d] Gabriel Furman & Thomas Storm
2[d] d[o] John B Coles & Garret Harsen.
3[d] d[o] Theoph[s] Beekman & Nicholas Carmer
4[th] d[o] Anthony Post & John Bogert
5[th] d[o] Jotham Post & Philip J Arcularius
6[th] d[o] Jacob De la Montagnie & Anthony Brown
7[th] d[o] Rich[d] Furman & Mangle Minthorn

[322] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 7[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Jacob De laMontagnie John B Coles Anthony Post Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Bogert Garret Harsen Philip J Arcularius Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn	Assist[s]

The Mayor Recorder & other Members being returned from visiting & examining the State & situation of the several Wards in the Bridewell & Alms House.

The Committee of Acc[ts] reported that they had examined & audited

the Acc^{ts} of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right. viz^{t}

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amount^{s} to.....	£3316:13:11¾
Those of the Bridewell.....	475:14:8½

An Estimate of the Commiss^{rs} for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved by the B^{d} viz^{t}

For the Alms House.....	£3400
For the Bridewell.....	600

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} for paym^{t} thereof accordingly

[323] On reading a Letter from the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office.

An Ord^{ce} was passed for filling up & raising Theetre Alley by the 15th June under the Penalty of $100 for each Lot

The like for an Alley running from Warren Street to Chambers Street by the first June. Penalty $50 each Lot

The like for filling & raising the Water Lots of Thomas Marston. by the first of July—Penalty $250 each Lot

The like for the Water Lots of Rob^{t} Bowne & Tho^{s} Eddy by the first June Penalty $100 each Lot

The like for an Alley commonly called Waltons Alley leading from Water Street towards the River between Pecks Slip & Dover Street by the fifteenth June—Penalty $100.

Ordinances were also passed for paving the follow^{g} Streets viz^{t}

Augustus Street from Tryon Row to Magazine Street.

Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River.

Water Street from James Slip to Catharine Slip.

George Street from Division Street to the River.

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen take Order for making a Bulkhead across Catharine Slip on a range with the south side of Water Street on the side of the s^{d} Slip.

[324] Ordered that Carlisle Pollock & Coll M^{c}Gregor be permitted to pave Carlisle Street agreable to the Regulation thereof without an Estimate & Assessm^{t} being made.

On a Report of Richard Lawrence on the Petition of certain indigent Refugees from S^{t} Domingo, it was ordered that they should be permitted to come into & be provided for in the Alms House.

Ordered that John P Anthony & Peter Hageman be appointed firemen to Engine N^{o} 12 vice Anthony Franklin & Henry Aubic resigned

And Bernard Rapalye, Alex[r] Sanders & David Wagstaff to N° 9 vice Ab[m] Bond Henry Bancker & Tho[s] Bushfield resigned

Ordered that two additional firemen be allowed to Engine N° 15.

Ordered that William Allen be permitted to occupy the Gun Powder Magazine during the Pleasure of this Board on such Rent as the B[d] shall deem reasonable

Ordered that the Committee on Repairs take order for making Cells for the confinement of disorderly Persons in the Alms House.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	The Commiss[n] of the Health Office on Acc[t].....	$1000
iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps.....	£93: 3: 1
iss[d]	[325] Peter Cole for convey[g] Vagrants to Bridewell....	£8:13:—
iss[d]	James Wood for repair[g] Lamps.....	£19: 7:10
iss[d]	Rob[t] Valentine for erecting a fire Engine House.....	£12:—:—
iss[d]	The Justices of £10 Court.....	$456

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14[th] May 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Theoph[s] Beekman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Bogert	Assist[s]
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Brown	
Anthony Post		Garret Harsen	
John B Coles		Tho[s] Storm	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Philip J Arcularius	

A Letter from His Excellency the Gov[r] to M[r] Mayor on the subject of Cannon to defend this City was read & filed.

On reading a Petition of Samuel Doughty This B[d] do approve of his Lumber Yard at the lower end of Murray Street & adjoining Hudsons River as a proper Place for storing Shingles & do appoint that Place for the said purpose accordingly

[326] Ordered that an Election be held in the 5[th] Ward at the friends Meeting House on Monday the 21[st] Instant of an Assessor in the place of Andrew Mercein removed from the City.

Ordered that Stephen Allen & Mich[l] Parker be permitted to plant Trees in front of their Houses in Rutgers Street under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the Ward.

Joseph Corré is permitted to make a Gate to the fence of the Battery in State Street opposite to his Garden, leaving the one in front of his House to remain

Ordered that the Proprietors of the Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the old Slip be & they are hereby respectively notified & required without delay to fill in their respective Water Lots & to compleat the Wharfs agreable to the Conditions contained in the Grants thereof from the Corporation of this City and in case of refusal or neglect this Board will proceed against them on the Covenants & Conditions in their respective Grants contained

On an Application of Colo Ebenezer Stevens & Peter Schermerhorne to lay & frame the Timber (for buildings they intend to erect in front Street) in the Street in front of Beekmans Slip, The Question was raised & put [327] Whether it would be proper to permit the laying or framing of Timber by individuals in the Streets in front of any of the public Slips; and it was carried in the Negative.

On an Application of Messrs Van Horn & Clarkson to alter the Line of the front of the Lots bounded on the West side of the Broad Way & lying between the House of Dominick Lynch & Beaver Lane; the Board proceeded to view the Premisses And thereupon

Ordered that the Line of the front of the Lots on the Broad Way between the House of Dominick Lynch & Beaver Lane be as follows vizt

Beginning at the Brick Work of the front of the said House of Dominick Lynch & running thence on a direct Line to a perpendicular Point two feet nine Inches from the Brick Work of the front of the House on the south Corner of the Broad Way & Beaver Lane

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Mary Martin an indigent Widow	£4:—:—
issd	Thomas Hazard for subsistg criml Prisoners in Goal	£326:15: 8
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmn	£77:10: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£64:17: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£63: 4: 6
issd	Isaac Hicks for Lamp Oil	£1026:17:—
issd	John Van Alst for repairg Pumps	£9:17:—
issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps	£12: 6:—
issd	Provo & Smith for cleang Wells	£18:16: 8

[328] A Memorial of Wm Nielson for compensation for the expence of removing Earth from his Land to fill up a low place in the Bowery Lane at the two Mile Stone was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

additional Members to Engine N° 15.
- Elias Brevoort 3d Wd Merchant
- James Stevenson 3d Do Blacksmith
- David Dunham 1st Wd Merchant
- William Castle 1st Do Grocer
- William Weyman 3d do Salesman
- Thomas Benneth 3d do Cabt maker

Engine N° 15 also
- John Borris 1st Wd Innholder vice John T Barrow removed for neglect of Duty.
- James Baxter 4th Wd Coachmaker vice Adam Mildeberger resigned

N° 19. Robert Seaman vice Thomas Johnson

Gerrit Neaffie 6th Wd Cartman vice

N° 14. Peter Lawrence removed for neglect of Duty

[329] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of May 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn:
- Anthony Post
- Jotham Post
- Gabriel Furman
- John B Coles
- Richard Furman
- Theophs Beekman
- Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts:
- John Bogert
- Garret Harsen
- Mangle Minthorn
- Thomas Storm
- Philip J Arcularius
- Anthony Brown

On a Return of the Poll List of the Election in the 5th Ward of an Assessor vice Andrew Mercien removed from this City it appeared that John P. Ritter was duly elected who attended & took & subscribed the Oath by Law prescribed & directed.

Ordered that Joseph Outenbogert be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 19 vice Cornelius Tier decd

And William Wellings & Aaron Place to N° 10 vice Henry Hanshe & John Clark.

Ordered that the Watchmen placed at the Govt House be removed to some other place & that the Watchman at the late State Treasurers be removed to the Mouth of the Sewer in Broad Street

[330] Ordered that the Captains of the City Watch make Returns to this Board of the Stands of the several Watchmen placed as Centinels in this City.

On reading a Request of Brothers Coster & Co Ordered that they be permitted to take up William Street from their House N° 26 & to make a Common Drain of Brick or Stone to take the Water,

from the Cellars, from thence to the Drain in Beaver Street on condition that they again put the S[t] in good Order And that they be authorized to demand & receive from the other Proprietors of the Houses & Lots in the Street who shall use or take the benefit of the said Drain their respective proportions of the Expence attending the same.

Ordered that M[r] Harsen take order for paving a breadth of four feet from Greenwich Street to the new Albany Bason on a range with the south side of Cedar Street

On a Representation from the Neighborhood that Cortlandt Slip is so filled up at it's head as to become a receptacle for filth & Dirt and a common Nuisance

Ordered that a Bulkhead be made across the said Slip at the West range of Washington Street at the public Expence [331] provided the neighborhood will at their Expence fill up the s[d] Slip with good wholesome Earth to a proper heighth.

On the Request of the Society of Friends Ordered that they be permitted to strew Bark in Pearl Street opposite their Meeting House to prevent interruption from the Noise of Carriages during their General Meeting; on Condition that they afterwards remove it & clean the Street.

The Hay Scale in front of the new Albany Bason having become unnecessary at that place.

Ordered that it be immediately removed.

On a suggestion that some Person has unwarrantably sunk a Wharf at Corlaers Hook at the Place contemplated to be reserved as a public Bason or Slip Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] enquire into the matter & report to the Board.

Ordered that Ald[n] G Furman & Mess[rs] Arcularius & Bogert be a Committee to enquire into the State of the public fire Buckets & report to the Board.

[332] Ordered that Ald[n] DeLaMontagnie Coles & G Furman be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report to the B[d] on the expediency of lighting the public Lamps by Contract

On reading a second Petition from certain indigent french families from S[t] Domingo, the Board determined that they be allowed at the rate of one Dollar per Week for each of the eight families,

And that M[r] Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treas[r] to pay Richard Lawrence $100 on Acc[t] to be applied towards their Relief according to the number & circumstances of each family.

iss[d]

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct	£300:—:—
issd	Gœrick & Mangin on Acct of their Contract to make a Survey & plan of the City	$500
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursements	£20:—:— 3: 4: 6
issd	John J Roome Clk of an Election	£0:16:—
issd	George Furman for paints a fire Engine House	£4:19:10½
issd	Samuel Wigten for lamp Oil	£158:17: 6
issd	Thomas Jenkins & Sons for the like	£720:17:10
issd	Willson Rawson for the like	£457:12: 6

[333] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of May 1798

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Richd Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Garrit Harsen Nichs Carmer Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

On a reconsideration of the Order of the last Meeting for filling up Cortlandt Slip to the West side of Washington Street it was suspended 'till the further Order of the Board And in the mean time that the Proprietors on each side be required to repair the Piers on each side of the Slip.

The Clerk reported a Draft of Instructions for the Commissioners of Streets & Roads; which were read & referred to Aldn G. Furman & A Post & Mr Storm

A Petition of Ebenr S. Burling & others to plant Trees in Rutgers Street was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

A Petition for digging out Bedlow & Henry Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[334] A Petition of George Caspar Schroeppel was read And thereupon the Board determined that he be permitted (as far as this Board are concerned in the Premisses) to run out a Wharf of thirty feet in breadth into Hudsons River in front of his Land for the convenience of landing Bark & other Articles for his Tannery during the pleasure of the Board.

Ordered that Philander Brasher be permitted to make an Area to her House in Beekman Street

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the follow^{g} viz^{t}

9400	of 3^{d}	£117:10:—
8000	of 2^{d}	66:13: 4
7000	of 1^{d}	29: 3: 4
		£213: 6: 8

On a Return made by the Cap^{ts} of the City Watch, it was ordered that the Watchman removed from the Gov^{t} House be stationed in Cliff Street and that one of those stationed at the two Banks be stationed at the Oswego Market to patrole down Maiden Lane.

A Petition of Anthony L Bleecker & others for aid & permission to sink a Well in the Broad Way nearly two Miles from the City Hall was read And it was determined by the Board that as the Inhabitants there were not taxed for Wells & Pumps [335] this Board could not grant any aid towards the sinking of a Well there but at the same time the neighborhood might sink a Well in such place as the Ald^{n} & Assist. of the W^{d} should assign.

Several Estimates for making a Bulkhead across Catharine Slip were presented to the Board And that of Robert Valentine was accepted viz^{t} the Bulkhead to be 80 feet long & 15 feet broad at Bottom & 10 feet at the Top at the rate of £3:17 P^{r} foot with six Piles on the outside if it should be thought necessary for £14:8:—

A Letter from the Health Commiss^{rs} on the subject of filling up James's Slip, with Petitions for & against the Measure were read And the Board determined it inexpedient at present to fill up that Slip and directed M^{r} Harsen to employ the Mud Drudge in cleaning it out as soon as possible

Ordered that Ald^{n} Coles & G Furman & M^{r} Bogert be a Committee in conjunction with Col^{o} Stevens to attend to the Measures that have already been taken or which it may be proper to take for the Defence of the City & Harbor of New York & to report thereupon to this Board as occasion may require.

[336] Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Peter Cole for taking Fish this season for the use of the Alms House &c	£20:—:—
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for City Watch	£77:10: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Thos W Eagles for repairs Lamps	£20: 5:—
iss^{d}	Provo & Smith for cleans a Well	£5:16:—
iss^{d}	Peter Cole for light^{g} Lamps	£82:10: 7
iss^{d}	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquest on dead bodies.	£46:10:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of June 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert	Assistts
John B Coles		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post		Garret Harsen	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Thomas Storm	

A Petition for a Regulation of upper Read Street was read and referred to the Street Commissrs

[337] A Memorial of Wm Denning & others praying a supension of the Ordinance for paving Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River, as far as respects the Walk on the South side & the paving of the said Street from Washington Street to the River was read & granted: On the express condition that the Proprietors of the Lots will without delay cause that part of the Street (the paving whereof is suspended for the present) to be filled up agreable to the Regulation & put in Order for paving

On reading a Letter from the Treasr

Ordered that he demand an immediate settlement with the Collectors of the 4th & 7th Wards & payment of the Ballances due from them respectively or in case of neglect or refusal that he proceed against them as the Law directs. And in the mean time if the necessities of the Alms House should require it that he negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York for that purpose for a Sum not exceeding $2000.

Ordered that Nathl L Sturges be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 5 vice James Hubberd decd

Ordered that the Street Commissr return the Names of the Owners & Occupants of the sunken Lots between Thomas & Magazine Streets, that an Ordinance be passed for filling them up

[338] Estimates & Assessments for paving the followg Streets were respectively read and ratified by the Bd viz: Chambers Street from the highest Ground opposite the Alms House Gate to the West side of Washington Street—Reade Street from the Broad Way to the East side of Washington Street—Barley Street from the Broad Way to the West side of Church Street—Church Street from the north side of Barley Street to the Pavement at the south side of Chambers Street—Chappel Street from the north side of Barley Street to the Pavement at the south side of Chambers Street—Greenwich Street from the Pavement at the south side of Reade Street to Provoost Street—And

Broad Way from the Pavement at the south side of Murray Street to the north side of Scott L Clarks House & Lot.

Ordered that Henry Verveelen be appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessments And that Arthur Smith, Thos Whytlaw & George Walton be appointed to pave all the said Streets except Broad Way And that the same Persons together with John Moore & George Gosman be appointed to pave the Broad Way

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Cornrs Cooper for White Wash Brushes.....	£0:16:—
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil.....	£218: 4: 9
issd	Robt Hunter for expences at his Hs on canvassg Votes for Members of Assembly.....	£17:—:—

[339] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 13th June 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Richard Furman Jacob De La Montagnie John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius

Assistts

Mr Recorder informed the Board that Capt Henry King Master of the Brigt Polaski from Cape Nichola Mole had landed 22 Passengers contrary to Law; & suggested to the Board whether Measures ought not to be taken to enforce the Law in this Case Whereupon the Board directed that James Culbertson commence a Suit against the said Master at the risque of this Board.

Messrs John Broome & Paschal N Smith attended the Board & presented the following written Application vizt "City of New York ss. At a joint Meeting of the several Committees follows viz. One from the Officers of the late Army & Navy of the United States, one from the Chamber of Commerce and one from each Ward of the City of New York [340] held pursuant to public notice at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 8th day of June 1798.

Matthew Clarkson Esqr Chairman

Resolved that an Application be made to the Corporation of this City, to interpose their Credit for obtaining a Loan of fifty thousand Dollars to be applied toward the Defence of this Port and City, in confidence that the same will be reimbursed by the General Goverment, or provided for by the Legislature of this State, and that Messrs

Paschal N Smith John Broome and Moses Rogers be a Committee to make the said Application.

A true Copy—Jas Fairlie Secry."

Whereupon the Board immediately proceeded to the Consideration of the subject Matter of the said Application and the following Resolutions were moved to be adopted by the Board vizt

Resolved that this Board will provide a Sum not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars to be applied towards the Defence of this Port & City And that an Application shall be made to Congress and, if necessary, to our State Legislature for the Reimbursement thereof

Resolved that Aldn Coles & G. Furman & Mr Bogert be a Committee of this Bd [341] to superintend & direct the expenditure of the said Sum in conjunction with such Persons as may be appointed by the several Committees mentioned in the said Application, and that they report from time to time as to the expenditure of the said Money and as to any further Measures that may be requisite for the important Purpose mentioned in the said Application

Resolved that the Sum of One thousand Dollars already advanced for the aforesaid Purpose be considered as part of the said fifty thousand Dollars.

On reading the 2d of the said Resolutions Aldn De La Montagnie moved to strike out the Words "in conjunction with such Persons as may be appointed by the several Committees mentioned in the said Application" and on the Question being put on the said Motion it passed in the Negative as follows vizt

Negative	Affirmative
Aldn Coles	Aldn De laMontagnie
Aldn J Post	Mr Arcularius
Aldn A Post	Mr Minthorn
Aldn G Furman	
Aldn R Furman	
Mr Bogert	
Mr Harsen	
Mr Carmer	

[342] The Question was then put whether the Board do agree to said Resolutions and it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

Affirmative	Negative
Aldn Coles	Aldn De laMontagnie
Aldn J Post	Mr Arcularius
Aldn A Post	Mr Minthorn
Aldn G Furman	
Aldn R Furman	
Mr Bogert	
Mr Harsen	
Mr Carmer	

The Committee to whom was referred the Complaint of Peter Schermerhorne & others against a Store House occupied by Moses Ward at Pecks Slip, part of which obstructs Front Street; Reported that they had conversed with M^r^ Ward on the subject of removing so much of the said Store House as may be necessary and that he signified his willingness to remove so much of the said Store as may be required provided this Board will be at the expence of it & of putting the residue of the Building in good Order & Repair, to give him a new Lease of the Lot for 21 Years at the present Rent thereof And also to pay him £350 for his Damages. The Committee are of Opinion that if this B^d^ be at the expence of removing such part of the said Store House as aforesaid & putting the Residue in good Order and also to grant him a new Lease for 21 Years [343] at the present Rent [it] will be sufficient which Opinion of the Committee was agreed to & adopted by the Board

The Committee on the Duties of the Street Commissioners as reported by the Clerk reported that they had revised the same and made some additions thereto; which was read & agreed to by the Board as follows viz^t^

To enquire into the subject of all Applications to the Board for the Regulating, Paving or other wise improving of Streets Roads or Wharfs and to report to the Board the particular State of the circumstance of each Case and if necessary a Survey or Plan of the Improvement necessary

To attend to the due execution of all Ordinances or Orders of the Common Council for the regulating, digging, filling, paving or repairing of Streets or Roads And to direct the Prosecution of Offenders against the Laws relative to Streets and particularly Persons guilty of Intrusion or Encroachment on the public Streets or Roads.

To take the general Charge of viewing and determining from time to time whether any and what Improvement or Repairs are necessary & can be made to any of the Streets or Roads & to report the same to the Board together with the best mode of doing the same. [344] And to attend to & direct such Matters &Things as are particularly committed to the Ald^n^ & Assist of each Ward viz^t^ To direct the repairs of Streets or Walks and to see that the Gutters are bottomed with hard Brick or cut Stone.

To order the removal of all Lumber or other Things with which any of the Streets or Wharfs may be incumbered under the like Penalties as if directed by the Ald^n^ & Assist of the Ward And to attend

to the Surveying of Lots about to be built and to prevent encroachments on the Streets.

Estimates & Assessments for paving Front Street from Beekman Slip to Pecks Slip, were read & ratified by the Board & Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart & Thomas J Stagg & Ab^{m} Stagg to pave the s^{d} Street

The like for paving George Street from Division Street to Cherry Street and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and James Sharrock to pave the said Street

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men. viz^{t}

To Engine N^{o} 15 Joseph Lyon vice Josiah Furman dec^{d}—Jacob Varian vice John Odell resigned—Henry Lock vice W^{m} Wright resigned & Christian Herttell an additional Member

N^{o} 21 Gideon Kimberly vice Ezekiel Robins resigned & Brigham Howe vice Stephen Stillwell resign'd and to Hook & Ladder N^{o} 3 W^{m} Starling vice George Hillegar removed.

[345] The Street Commissioner reported the Names of the Owners of the sunken Lots between Thomas Street & Magazine Street as follows viz^{t}

George Janeway N^{o} 56, 57, 59, 60, 62 64, 65 & 70
The Heirs of John Byvanck dec^{d} N^{o} 58
The Heirs of Ab^{m} Byvanck dec^{d} N^{o} 61 & 63
Garret B Abeel N^{o} 66.
Garrit B Abeel
James C Roosevelt } N^{o} 67, 68 & 69.
& George Codwise

Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board for filling up the said Lots by the 15th July next under the Penalty of $100 Dollars each Lot

An Ordinance for digging out Bedlow Street from Catharine Street to George Street and Henry Street from Charlotte Street to East Rutgers Street was read & passed by the B^{d}

On the Application of Ab^{m} Herring one of the Managers of the late Lottery for the new Alms House Ordered that the Clerk deliver up to the said Managers their Bonds executed for the faithful execution of that Business

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Thos Nixon for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	£1:12:—
iss^{d}	Provo & Smith for cleans Wells.....	£8: 5: 8
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6

issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£77:10: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£77:10: 6

[346] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th June 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Jacob De La Montagnie, Anthony Post, Richard Furman, John B Coles

Assistts: Mangel Minthorn, Garrit Harsen, John Brown, John Bogert, Thomas Storm, Philip J. Arcularius

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Augustus Street was read & ratified by the Bd and John Fox was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John McCombs to pave the said Street

The like for paving the Streets on each side of *of* Burling & Pecks Slips and Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart and Thomas J Stagg & Abm Stagg to pave the said Streets.

Ordered that John McVickar be appointed to make the Estimate and Assessmt for paving Front Street from Burling Slip to Beekmans Slip in the place of John Motley who appears to [be] interested [347] A Petition complaining against the Indulgence to Hucksters and drawers of Coffee in the Street at the Fly Market was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Messrs Harsen & Carmer.

A List of Passengers landed contrary to Law from on Board the Ship Caledonia from Greenock in Scotland Philip B Sands Master was read and it was ordered that James Culbertson commence a Suit agt the said Master at the risque of this Bd

A Petition to sink a Well at the intersection of first & Pump Streets was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Henry Verveelen on Acct towds the Corporation part for paving Broad Way.....	£100:—:—
issd	Garrit Harsen on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	Corns Hoffman for glazing the Goal Windows.....	£11: 0: 6
issd	Provo & Smith for cleans a Well in the 6th Ward.....	£4: 9: 4

[348] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of June 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
Anthony Post
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Thomas Storm
Anthony Brown
Nichs Carmer
} Assistts

The Board having at the last Meeting agreed to pass an Ordinance to compel the making of the new Street of 70 feet wide called South Street lately laid out on the East River from Coenties Slip to the old Slip and to fill up the Water Lots out to the said Street by the first of September next and several of the Proprietors by Petition read this day having represented to the Board their inability to execute the Work by the time limited and prayed a further time Whereupon the said Ordinance was amended & the first day of May next inserted for the completion of the Work and passed & ordered to be published

[349] On reading a Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office in which they inform that several Persons had neglected to comply with the Ordinances to prevent Nuisances, the Bd direct that James Culbertson be the Prosecutor of all such Persons as shall be reported to him by the Health Commissrs as may have incurred Penalties under the Ordinances of this Board for preventing or removing Nuisances.

On reading a Petition of Stephen Smith Ordered that he be permitted to take up Pearl Street to lay a private Drain to lead the Bye Water from his Cellar into the Main Drain under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

A Request of Thomas Pearsall, to take Earth from a part of the public Road to raise the Road leading to his House; was read & granted, if the Commissr of Roads on viewing it shall determine it not injurious to the public Road.

A Letter from the Mayor & Aldermen of Philadelphia recommending Mr Peale's new con[s]tructed & improved fire Places as highly beneficial was read And it was ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to return a respectful Answer thereto And that the Committee on Repairs direct an experiment to be made on six of the fire Places in the Alms House.

[350] Ordered that Daniel Hitchcock be appointed an Engineer in the fire Department vice Thomas Hazard removed from this City.

A Representation of the Trustees of the African School in this City was read & referred to the Committee on the subject of Schools. And it was ordered that an advance of
iss[d] $250 out of the Monies granted by the Legislature for the encouragem[t] of Schools be made to the said Trustees for the use of the said School And that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer for paym[t] thereof accordingly

An Estimate & Assessm[t] for paving the lower End of Dey Street was read & ratified and Benj[a] Romaine was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Arthur Smith to pave the said Street

This Board having on the 13[th] Instant Resolved to provide a Sum not exceeding $50.000 towards the erection of Works & providing Cannon & military Stores for the defence of this City & Harbor Ordered that Alderman Gabriel Furman be authorized on behalf of this Board to draw Monies from the Bank of New York to be applied to that purpose to the amount of ten thousand Dollars.

[351] Ordered that the Treasurer make an immediate settlement with the Collectors of Taxes and that he be authorized to take from them Notes with good Endorsers payable in 60 & 90 Days for the Ballances due from them respectively.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	77:10: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	62: 2: 6
iss[d]	John Goodeve for Box of Candles	3: 2: 6
iss[d]	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police Office for his Services 1 Q[r]	$187[50/100]
iss[d]	Michael Brooks for repairs Lamps	£51: 6: 8
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lights Lamps	£92: 3: 5

[352] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29[th] June 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John B Coles, Jotham Post, Theoph[s] Beekman, Anthony Post, Gabriel Furman, Jacob DelaMontagnie } Esqrs Ald[n]

Garrit Harsen, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, John Bogert, Thomas Storm } Assist[s]

M[r] Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from His Excellency the Governor of the 27[th] Instant enclosing Copies of a Letter from Major

Gen[l] Clarkson to his Excellency and his Excellency's Answer thereto on the subject of the defenceless State of this Port & City and the expediency of immediately convening the Legislature in this City on the Occasion; which were read and Thereupon resolved that the extreme necessity of the Case had induced this Board to determine upon immediately raising a Sum of Money to be [353] applied towards providing for the defence of the City of New York and it's Harbor in confidence that the same would be repaid by the General Government or the Legislature of the State But that the Magnitude and Importance of the Object and it's Connection with the essential Interests of the Community induce them to unite with the Committee of the Citizens in the Wish that it may be submitted to the Wisdom of the Legislature at as early a Period as may be practicable and in this City if His Excellency the Governor shall think it advisable.

As an additional Reason for this Measure the Board would suggest that Although they are impressed with the necessity of their Interference in the first Instance to promote the important Object above specified, they are nevertheless convinced that it may require larger advances than they could prudently make, even if they had the Power before the stated time for the Meeting of the Legislature.

Resolved that M[r] Mayor be requested to transmit the above Resolution to his Excellency the Governor with their Acknowledgements for the Communication he has made to them.

[354] Ordered that one of the City Watchmen be stationed to guard the Laboratory at the Battery.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 7[th] Ward direct an Inventory to be taken of the Corporation property at Belle View & to cause the said Property to be deposited in one of the Rooms & locked up.

On reading a Petition of a number of Inhabitants in the Bowery Lane complaining of the Dangerous Practice of running or racing Horses in the public Road or Highway.

The follow[g] "Law to prohibit the running or racing of Horses in any public Street or Road within this City" was passed by the B[d] & ordered to be published

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened That no person shall run or race any Horse or Start the same for the purpose of racing in any Public Street or Road within the City of New York and if any Person or Persons do or shall Start, run or race any Horse Contrary to this Law every such Person and also the Owner and possessor of such Horse, if he or she shall Suffer or consent to such Starting run-

ning or racing shall forfeit and pay as a fine for each Offence the Sum of Ten Dollars the one half of which said fine when recovered and paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City shall be by the said Treasurer or Chamberlain paid to the person or persons who shall have Commenced and prosecuted the Suit against the Offender.

And be it further Ordained by the Authority aforesaid that if any Offiender against this Law shall be an Apprentice a Servant or a Slave the Master, Mistress or owner of such Apprentice, Servant or Slave shall be and hereby is made answerable for the payment of such fine as aforesaid

[355] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday July 2d 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen	Assistts
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Bogert	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post		Thomas Storm	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	

On reading a Memorial or Letter from Henry King Master of the Brigr Polaski from Cape Nichola Mole Ordered that on his filing the Security required by Law for landing Passengers & paying the Costs of the Suit against him Mr Culbertson be directed to stay the Suit

Ordered that Mr Culbertson institute a Suit against Wm Wheaton Master of the Brigt Rowena from Port au Prince for landing fifty Passengers contrary to Law.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the West side of Washington Street; [356] was read & ratified by the Board And Henry Verveelen was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Arthur Smith to pave the said Street

The like for digging out Bedlow Street; And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Wm Butler & Co to execute the Work.

The like for Henry Street; and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Danl Raveau to execute the Work.

Ordered that the Committee on Repairs direct Iron Backs to be put to such Chimnies & Weights to the Windows in the Bridewell as may be necessary.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Garrit Harsen on Acct	£500:—:—
issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	£70:15: 6
issd	Robt Steel for white washing the Fly Market	£13: 9:—
issd	Richd Furman for Expences of the Road Committee	£8:16:—

[357] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of July 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, Anthony Post, John B Coles, Theophs Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie

Assistts: Garrit Harsen, Nichs Carmer, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, John Bogert, Thomas Storm

A Petition complaining of the Building called the Exchange as a great Interruption to Broad Street & Water Street & praying that it be taken down & removed was read & rejected.

It appearing from the Assessment for paving Oliver Street; which was ratified by the Board the 1st Septr 1794 that the Sum of £12:7:3 assessed on a Lot of Ann Dealing remains unpaid and that the said Lot is in the Tenure & Occupation of Walter Bowne

Ordered purst to the Act of the Legislature in such case made & provided that the said Walter Bowne be required to pay the said Sum so assessed to David Harriot Collector of the Monies on the said Assessment.

[358] An Ordinance for the repaving of Pearl Street from Van De Water Street to the South side of the Gutter that crosses the Street at the House late of John Woods decd opposite to Rutgers Street; was read & passed by the Board.

The Committee of this Board on the subject of providing for the defence of this City represented that a Piece of Ground would be wanted to erect a Building* on for the deposit of Artillery with its Apparatus And on examination think the Triangular Piece of Ground lying on the North East side of the Gaol and bounded by the Gaol Fence, Chatham Street & Tryon Row, to be the most proper for the purpose Whereupon the Board determined that the said Piece of Ground may be taken & used for the purpose aforesaid leaving the Street along Tryon Row at least forty feet wide.

* Marginal note reads *Arsenal*.—Ed.

Ordered that Samuel Mitchell be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 12 vice Dan[l] Hitchcock appointed an Engineer of the fire Department

Ordered that the Treasurer be authorized (if the State of the Treasury shall require it) to negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York for any Sum or Sums not exceeding in the whole $2000

[359] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Jacob Harsen on Acc[t] towards repairg the Roads.....	£200:—:—
iss[d]	David Marshall for superintendg Potters field burygs G[d]	£23: 2:—
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like.....	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16[th] day of July 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
John B Coles
Jotham Post
John Bogert
Anthony Brown
Garrit Harsen
Nich[s] Carmer
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Water Street from James Slip to Cath[n] Slip was read & ratified by the Board [360] and David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Thomas Whytlaw to pave the s[d] Street

The like for Water Street from Wall Street to the Fly Market and Corn[s] C Wynkoop was appointed to collect the Monies & George Gosman to pave the said Street

Ordered that the Proprietors of Water Lots between James Slip & Catharine Slip be required to raise the Wall Plate of the Wharf to such heighth as to suit the pavement of that S[t]

Ordered that Alex[r] M[c]Donald be permitted to take up the Broad Way & to make a Vault in front of his House under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the Ward On condition that he enter into Bond in the Penalty of $100 conditioned that he do without delay cause the Street to be repaved & put in good Order and that if at any time hereafter the pavement of such part of the Street as he shall take up &

repave shall by the settling of the Ground require new paving he will do it at his own Expence.

Ordered that in future no Person be permitted to take up any Part of a Street for the purpose of making Vaults or Drains &c except on the above Terms & Conditions.

[361] Ordered that Leonard Kline be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 19 vice George F Dominick dec^{d}

Isaac Doughty & George Walton to N° 22 vice James Phillips resigned and Jacob Carpenter for neglect of Duty And George Shimeal to N° 7 vice John Harrison resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} & Henry Carmer for Iron Mongery at the Gaol City Hall & Bridewell	£36: 9:10
iss^{d}	Van Wyck & Phillips for 8 Cask Gun Powder to celebrate the 4th July Inst	$120
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for the Sextons ringing the Bells on that Occasion 12/ each	£7: 4:—

[362] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday July 23^{d} 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Jotham Post Theoph^{s} Beekman Anthony Post Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Thomas Storm Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Garrit Harsen John Bogert	Assist^{ts}

Ordered that Henry Crom be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood on the Hudson River side of this City

Ordered that a Watchman be placed at Col^{o} Stevens's Labaratory.

A Petition of Gilbert Van Mater was read—that part of it which prays a Lease of the Water Lot at Brooklyn Ferry was rejected And the other part which represents the want of Repair to the Ferry Stairs was referred to M^{r} Harsen to take order on the subject

Ordered that M^{r} Hardenbrook the Engineer, take order for repairing the old fire Engine Leaders or for making new ones under the Direction of the Com^{tee}

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots on Duane, Jay, Harison & Provoost Streets cause the said Streets from Greenwich to Washington Streets to be dug out without delay

[363] An Ordinance requiring Andrew Stockholm to fill up &

raise certain sunken Lots bounded on Magazine Street was read & passed by the Board.

The following Regulation of Cross Street from Mulberry to Mott Street was read [and] approved by the Board

"Ascent from Mulberry S[t] to Mott Street one foot on 10 feet. In consequence it will require to be dug at the extent of 50 feet from the Kennel in Mulberry Street 1 foot 6 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 30 feet further 4 feet—thence at the extent of 25 feet further 6 feet 5 Inches—thence at the extent of 21 feet further 8 feet 2 Inches & so till it terminates at the extent of 10 feet further at Mott Street."

An Ordinance for digging out the said Street agreable to the above Regulation was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Henry Remmey & Mich[l] Day be appointed fire Men to Engine N° 23 vice Jacob Evans & Martin Myers removed for neglect of Duty.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issd	David Waldron on Acc[t] tow[ds] Roads	£140:—:—
issd	Henry Verveelen on Acc[t] tow[ds] paving Broad Way	£100:—:—
issd	Garrit Harsen on Acc[t]	£200:—:—
issd	[364] Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£77:10: 6
issd	Provo & Smith for cleang Wells	£10:14:—
issd	Woolsey & Rogers for Goal Locks	£1: 4:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 31[st] July 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theoph[s] Beekman Anthony Post Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garrit Harsen Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius John Bogert	Assist[s]

Ordered that Ald[n] G Furman be appointed a Member of the Committee of Acc[ts] vice Ald[n] R Furman during his absence from this City in attending the Legislature.

Ordered that Ald[n] G Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding ten thousand Dollars, to be applied to that use.

Ordered that the associated Scotch Church be permitted to make an Area to their new Church of the breadth in the Street of two & an half feet.

[365] Ordered that Messrs Van Horne and Clarkson be permitted to make Area's & Vaults in the Street in front of their Houses in the Broad Way under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward & entering into Bond for making & keeping the Street in good Order.

The Board proceeded to examine the Tax Lists delivered in by the Assessors of the several Wards & settled the Quota's of the several Wards as follows

1st Ward		$1,400,000
2d Ward		3,500,000
3d Ward		3,550,000
4th Ward		1,750,000
5th Ward		1,550,000
6th Ward		1,400,000
7th Ward.	So of the Line	1,400,000
7th do	No of do	1,200,000
7th do	Harlem Division	250,000
		$16,000,000

The Board then determined the Amt of the Monies to be raised by the Tax as follows vizt

On City & County	$63,250
on do do for Schools	2,360
	$65,610
On City So of the Line	36,583
	$102,193

[366] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 6th day of Augt 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Anthony Post		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	

Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms Hs & Bridewell The Com-

mittee of Acc[ts] reported that they had examined the Acc[ts] of the Commiss[rs] as to their expenditures for the last Q[r] & found them right

Those of the Alms H[s] amounts to	£2894: 0: 5
Those of the Bridewell to	553: 5: 8

An Estimate for the Ensuing Quarter was then read & approved viz[t]

For the Alms H[s]	£2600: —: —
For the Bridewell	900: —: —

iss[d] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his W[t] on the Treas[r] for paym[t] thereof accord[y]

A Letter from the Commiss[rs] of the Health Office relative to the Situation of the Water Lots between Coenties Slip & [367] *and* the old Slip & requesting a Committee of this B[d] to view the Premisses & to determine on & report the Measures necessary to be taken thereon; was read & Ald[n] Coles & G Furman were appointed accord[gly]

Another Letter from the same Commissioners was read, covering their Acc[t] Cur[t] (which Acc[t] was referred to the auditing Committee) and a Representation of a Nuisance in front of a Store of M[r] Bennet in front Street near Pecks Slip. Whereupon an Ord[ce] for the removal of the said Nuisance was passed by the Board

A Proposal of W[m] Child to provide reflecting Tellescopes to discern Shipping at a great distance was read & referred to the Committee on fortifications.

A Petition of George Peck was read praying an Indulgence to make a passage from the River, under Cherry Street to draw Timber &[c] for the building of a Ship of War in his Yard which was granted on Condition that he enter into Bond conditioned that he will at his expence put the Street & Wharf in compleat & good Order immediately on the said Ship's being launched.

[368] On a suggestion that there is not Monies sufficient to discharge the Warrants issued for payment of the City Watchmen & several Acc[ts] Ordered that M[r] Phœnix negociate a loan, for the Purpose of paying off those Warr[ts], with the Bank of New York for any Sum not exceeding three thousand Dollars

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots at Pecks [Slip] be required to raise the Plate of the Wharf to the heighth of the Street.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d] Mary Van Breemer for the support of a Bastard Child of her Daughter Ellinor Van Breemen the Interest of the Money deposited in the Treasury to indemnify the public ag[t] the Charge of supporting the s[d] Child.

issd	Richard Harison Esqr a retainer for Mr John Lovet to defend the case of a Pauper removed under the Statute from this City to Washington County.....	$25
issd	Theophs Beekman Esqr for his Services as a special Justice	226^{00}/_{100}$
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie Esqr for the like.....	187^{50}/_{100}$
issd	Hulsart & Stagg for paving.....	£20: 10: —
issd	Peter Cole for the lamp lightin[g].....	£9: 12: 9
issd	[369] Provo & Smith for cleang & repairg public Wells..	£7: 3: 8
issd	John Morton for printg.....	£10: 2: —
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£81: 7: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday Augt 9th 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post Antho Post John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garrit Harsen Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Nichs Carmer	Assistts

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting to meet the Commissrs of the Health Office to view certain Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip report that in conjunction with the said Commissrs they had viewed the Premisses and that in their Opinion Ordinances ought to be passed for the raising & filling up the said Water Lots with wholesome [370] Earth by the 1st Septr next under the Penalty of $250 for each Lot Also for doing the like under the same Penalty with the Water Lots of Thomas Marston & of Robert Bruce decd by the 25th Instant. Whereupon Ordinances for filling up & raising the said Water Lots agreable to the said Report were passed by the Board accordingly.

A Law was also passed for paving the Street on the East side of Coenties Slip from Front Street to the Bridge

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of August 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Anthony Post		John Bogert	
Jotham Post		Garrit Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	

Ordered that Aldn G Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding ten thousand Dollars to be applied to that use.

[371] A Letter from the Health Commissrs was read representing among other Things that the Swamp or Meadow between the fresh Water Pond & Hudsons River is overflowed with standing Water & requires immediate Measures to be taken for draining it;

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the sixth Ward take Order for the immediate draining of the said Meadow

Also representing a sunken Lot of Nichs Bogert in James Street & a Lot adjoining it of John Franklin as in a state of Nuisance.

Whereupon an Ordinance for filling up the said Lots was passed by the Board.

A Letter from Andrew Stockholm representing that he is not sole proprietor of the Lots on Magazine Street & included in the Ordinance passed the 23d July last.

Whereupon the Board passed a new Ordinance for filling up the said Lots as belonging to Andrew Stockwell, Henry Brooks & David Dickson

A Letter from Valentine Seaman with observations on the paving of the Gutters in the Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Aldn A: Post reports that Samuel Winship has not attended his Standing as a Butcher in Hudson Market for six Weeks last past.

[372] On reading A Letter from Philip Ruckle for Instructions as to the filling up of the Streets leading from the Broad Way towards the fresh Water Pond; the Board direct that the original Regulation of those Streets be his guide.

On a complaint that the practice of the Vendors of Fruit & Vegitables remaining in the Markets & Streets adjacent until a late Hour of the Night is productive of great Noise & Disturbance to the Neigh-

borhood Ordered that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets cause all the Hucksters & Vendors of Fruit & Vegitables to be removed from the public Market Places & Streets adjacent at Sun Set every Day except Vendors of Vegitables on Saturday

A Representation of Joseph Dunham & others respecting the low & sunken State of certain Lots, in the sixth Ward, at the Bottom of Barley Street & adjacent to Hudson Street was read & referred to the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward

A Petition for leave to sink a Well in Murray Street & for the usual Allowance was read & granted under the Direction of the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the W^{d}

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen take order for making *a* new Cisterns at the Bridewell & to make the Kennel at the lower end of Chambers Street so as to prevent Injury to the Common Sewer

[373] An Instrument in the Words following was presented to the Board & read & filed viz^{t}

*" To the honorable the Common Council of the City of New York I do hereby certify and declare that I have assigned transferred & conveyed to John Houseman & George Schmelzel two fronts of twenty five feet each from the north end of the Lands for which I obtained an order for a Grant of the Water and of the Land between high and low Water Mark from your honorable Board You will therefore be pleased to order the aforesaid Grants for the Land opposite their Lots to be made to them they paying to your Treasurer the Quit Rents & the Sum of fifty Pounds for the Land between high & low Water Mark on each of their Lots. Witness my Hand & Seal this 16th day of August 1798.

Edward Livingston [Seal]

Witness

Rich: Riker

Ordered that the Grants to Mess^{rs} Houseman & Schmelzel be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men of this City viz^{t}

to Engine N^{o} 24 Tho^{s} S Barnham vice Jacob Somerindike resigned

Hook & Ladder N^{o} 1 Tho^{s} Pryce vice James Oakley resigned.

N^{o} 24 John T Barrow vice And^{w} Westervelt resigned.

[374] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

* Marginal note reads *Vide Minutes 14th Nov^{r} 1796.*—ED.

issd	George Janeway for the digging out in front of a Lot of this Bd in Augustus St & occupied by Margt Scott....	£3:10: 4
	And for a like Lot occupied by Abm Young.....	£2: 1: 8
issd	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£13:12: 2
issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£44: 2:—
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps.....	£54: 3: 6
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for the like.....	£31:11:11
issd	Henry Verveelen for ballce of paving in Broad Way at the Bridewell	£53: 5:11
issd	—— Halsey & others for coppyg & carrying out Poundage of Tax Books.....	$93
issd	John Davidson for Rope at the Repairs of Corporation Wharf	£0:18: 9
issd	The Justices of £10 Court.....	$468
issd	Edwd Bardin for a public Dinner last 4th July.....	£39: 5:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary.....	£20:—:—
	& Disbursements	—:12:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

[375] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of Augt 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, Jotham Post, Theophs Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie, John B Coles

Assistts: Garret Harsen, John Bogert, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn

On reading a Letter from the Health Commissrs.

A Law was passed by the Board to prevent the bringing of Oysters into this City during the Month of Septr next

And it was ordered that the Sedan & Bedstead at the City Hall, & the public Hearse be subject to be taken at any time when sent for by an order of either of the Commissrs of Health And also that Mr Dodge Keeper of the Alms House deliver of the Coffins made at the Alms House to their Order

Ordinances were also passed requiring Thomas Marston & Robert Bruce to fill up & take such Measures with their Water Lots as to render them wholesome & clean.

Ordered that Mr Goerick the Surveyor make a Survey of Green-

wich Street northward from Mr Lispenards & report to the Board whether any Encroachments have been made thereon.

[376] A Petition of Anthony L Bleecker & others praying that they may be permitted to execute the Work themselves which *which* is required by the Ordinance for repairing the Pavement and Gutters of Water Street from Wall Street to the Fly Market; was read & granted Provided it be done under the direction of the Aldn & Asstt of the Ward and Mr Gosman's consent be obtained.

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for the sinking of a new Well at the Gaol of nine feet diameter at Bottom.

The Committee on the Petition of Patrick Donelly complaining of a Lot of Abm Hatfield in Mott Street as a Nuisance for want of filling up Report that they have viewed the said Lot and that it does not appear to be in the State of nuisance represented in the Petition.

On reading a Letter from Richd Riker with an Affidavit of Henry Cahoone on the subject of the Suit commenced against the said Henry Cahoone for landing Passengers contrary to the Statute It was ordered that on his paying Mr Culbertson thirty Dollars for his trouble in the business & also on his paying Mr Riggs the Costs accrued in the Suit the Suit be stayed.

On reading a Petition of John Gebo & others against filling & raising the Streets leading from the Broad Way towards the fresh Water Pond; the Board determine to adhere to the original Regulation of those Streets.

[377] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

	Aldn G Furman for so much by him pd to Dr Bridgen	
issd	for repairs the Road across the Commons along the	
	No side of his Land.....	$87 50/100
issd	Hopkins & Co for printing.....	$45
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£91: 0: 10

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Richard Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
John B Coles
} Esqrs Aldn

Thomas Storm
Garrit Harsen
Anthony Brown
Mangle Minthorn
John Bogert
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office with a Report of the number of Death's & of Persons sick with the prevailing Fever at Belle Vue was read & filed.

A Petition of John Smith for leave to butcher & sell Meat in the Bowery Lane was read and rejected.

[378] On reading certain Proposals of Thos Ash to collect the Fees of Wharfage & Slippage on a Commission; The Board determine that it be farmed out to such Person as shall offer the greatest Sum from the 1st Septr Instant to the first of Septr next & that the Clerk advertize for Proposals written & sealed up 'till Monday next 12 O'Clock.

On reading a Petition of Suydam & Wyckhoff & others An Ordinance for paving South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Justices of the Police Office on Acct towards the Relief of certain indigt families from St Domingo....	$40
issd	The same towards the Relief of such indigent families as are or shall become distress[ed] during the present prevailing sickness	$200
issd	*Gerrit Harsen on Acct.....	£200:—:—
issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps.....	£5:11: 6
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps.....	£40: 6: 4
issd	Hugh Gobell for the City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£81: 7: 6

Garrit Harsen in full for the follows Accts for Work done by order of the Board vizt

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issd	For carting Sand & Repairs at Peck's Slip	£26:16:—
issd	For the erection of a new Barn & Stables at Brookly[n] ferry.....	420:—:—

* Marginal note reads *see Minutes on the subject of this Warrt feby 4th 1799.*—Ed.

	issd	For a Bulkhead at Cathn Slip.....	£322: 8:—
Revenue	issd	For Repairs to Markets.....	2:—:—
	issd	For workg the Mud Drudge in cleang the public Slips	439:17: 3
	issd	For Repairs to Watch House.....	6: 8:11
City contingt		For making Centry Boxes.....	50:12:10
	issd	For Repairs & Improvemts at the Battery	197: 4: 6
	issd	For the like at the Gaol.....	26: 5: 3
	issd	For the like at the City Hall.....	140: 7:—
	issd	For the like at the Alms House.....	162:11:10
	issd	For the like at the Bridewell.....	149:13: 3
City & County contingt	issd	For the like plantg Trees &c in the Park...	47: 5:—
	issd	For the like on Streets *on Streets* & Common Sewers	122:17: 8
	issd	For the like at Potters field burying Ground	22:12: 6
	issd	For the ballce of his Acct for his Services & Articles sold.....	320: 5: 8

[380] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
Richard Furman
Jotham Post
John B Coles
} Esqrs Aldn

Garrit Harsen
Anthony Brown
John Bogert
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius
} Assists

On opening & reading the sealed written Proposals for the public Docks & Slips for one Year from the 1st Septr Instant Those of Thomas Ash, Stephen Bourdett & Daniel Coe appeared to be the most advantageous for the Corporation (vizt ten thousand Dollars) & were accepted by the Board accordingly

Ordered that John Sickels be permitted to sink a rain Water Cistern in the Street in front of his House at the Corner of Maiden Lane & Nassau Street under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordered that Aldn Gabriel Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the Defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding $10,000

[381] A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office was read. Thereupon Ordered that Aldn Gabl Furman, Coles, Beekman,

DelaMontagnie & R. Furman & Messrs Bogert & Arcularius be a standing Committee (during the present sickness in this City) in aid of the Health Commissrs and that they be authorized to take such Measures for the Relief of the sick & indigent and also to employ such Persons under them in the execution of the Business and also to direct such Physicians to attend the indigent sick as to them shall appear necessary & proper & to make the necessary arrangements with the Health Commissrs with respect to the admission of sick Persons at Belle Vue Hospital; And that this Board will provide for defraying all the Expences incurred by the said Committee in the Premisses.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasr to advance to the Justices of the Police Office for the use of the said Committee $1000

issd

Ordered that the Treasr negociate a loan with the Bank of New York for such Monies as may be required for the public Purposes not exceedg in the whole $5000.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	[382] Benjamin Romaine for the Corporations part of paving the Street at Dey's Slip.....	£70: 4: 1
issd	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£8: 7: 6
issd	The Estate of Josiah Furman decd for repairs Lamps...	£25:14: 2
issd	John Borris for necessaries for the Board.....	£3: 9:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman
Jotham Post
John B Coles
Gabriel Furman
Richard Furman
Jacob DelaMontagnie
} Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown
Nicholas Carmer
} Assistts

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed Inspectors of the Ensuing Election of Charter Officers to be held at the follows Places in the several Wards vizt

1st Ward.....	John Nitchie	Trinity Church
2d do	Gulian Verplanck	City Hall
3d do	James Van Antwerp.....	Barnt B Martling
4th do	George Gosman	St Pauls Church
5th do	Leonard Fisher	German L. Church
6th do	Isaac Van Vleck.....	Bridewell
7th do	Thomas White	Bulls Head

[383] In consequence of so many of the Inhabitants having left the City on account of the sickly state of the City the Board apprehend danger from Robbers & Incendiaries And therefore Order that the number of the City Watchmen be doubled

On a suggestion that the Sextons of the several burying Grounds do not dig the Graves of sufficient Depth & that the Porters or carriers of Corps through the Streets made a practice of passing along on the side Walks to[o] close to the Houses an Ordinance to correct this inconvenience was passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

Ordered that it be recommended to the Health Commissioners to cause the Law to be strictly executed agt Persons having putrid or unwholesome Beef or Pork or other like substances in their Stores or Cellars.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Health Committee of this Board on Acct.....	$2000
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£81:18: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81:18: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Bogart & Blauvelt for repairg Pumps 6th Wd.....	£55: 0: 9
issd	Provo & Smith for cleaning Wells 6th Ward.....	£37:14: 6
issd	George Gosman for Whitewashing, cleaning & repairg the City Hall.....	£134: 2: 1
issd	James Saunders for filling up a Lot of Nichs Bogert in James Street	£18:19: 6

[384] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th Septr 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jacob DelaMontagnie	} Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius	} Assists

Ordered that the Members of the Health Committee of this Board be appointed to examine the Treasurers Accts & report to the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The Health Committee of this Board on Acct.....	$1000
issd	Moses Sears for paving round certain Wells in the 5th Wd	£2: 9: 6
issd	Robt Valentine for covering Wells in Broad Way.....	£1:19:—
issd	Mark Campbell for paving round Wells 6th Ward.....	£0:18:—
issd	Patrick Todd for lamp Oil.....	$1605 97/100

[385] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 29th day of Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius	Assists

Pursuant to the Directions of the Charter the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year And Daniel Phœnix was appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson, High Constable of this City for the ensuing Year

Mr Mayor reminded the Members that by Law a Meeting of the Board was required on Tuesday next to examine the Loan Officers Books & Accounts.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£92: 4:—
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office.....	$187 50/100

[386] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 2d day of Octr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Theophs Beekman Jacob DelaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown John Bogert Philip J Arcularius	Assists

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Cornelius Ray one of the Loan Officers of this City & County which was read & filed & is in the Words followg viz

Greenwich Octr 1st 1798

" Gentlemen.

Having absented myself so long from the City, I feel a reluctance to enter it during the prevalence of the present Disorder; I therefore hope the enclosed statement of the Accts of the loan Office will prove satisfactory without now producing the Books, them shall be laid before your honorable Board as soon as I return to the City if required and I vouch for the enclosed abstracts being correct, by which

you will find there are only two new Mortgages taken since the last Years examination.

Mr Wilkes receipts for the Money is in Mr Banckers possession who is absent I have the honor to be very respectfully

Gentn your most Obedt Servt

Corns Ray."

The hon.

The Mayor & Corporation

[387] The Ab[s]tracts enclosed in the said Letter were also read & filed & are as follows vizt

1798 Dr {The Treasury of the State of New York in Account with the new Loan Officers of the City & County of New York for Interest recd} Cr

June 26th	To Loan Officers Salary 1 Year..	£80:—:—	1798 May 1st	By sundry Persons for 1 Years Interest due on their Mortgages £19300 Prinl at 6 P Ct.....	£1158
do do	To Cash pd in New York Bank pr Receipt 2665 Dols	1066:—:—			
Augt 23d	To Do in Do in full	12:—:—			
		£1158:—:—			

Dr {The Treasury of the State of New York in Acct with the Loan Officers of the said City & County for Principal & Interest recd} Cr

1798 Augt 23d	To Loan Officers Salary 1 Year..	£80:—:—	1797 Septr 28th	By Principal Ballce on Loan 2624½ or	£10499
To Cash pd in full in the New York Bank as per Recpts Principal & Interest $3346 12/100....		444:19:—	1798 June 19th	By Interest 1 Year @ 5 P Ct on Do	£524:19
		£524:19:—			£893:10:—
To ballce of Principal remains on Loan.....	Dolls 2401 3/4	or 9605:10:—			
		£10499:—:—			

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[389] From the Returns of the late Election for Charter Officers the following Persons appear to be duly elected viz[t]

	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Thomas Storm	Assistant
1st Ward	James Van Dyk, John H Sickels	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, John Reins	Constables
	John B Coles	Alderman
	William Bayard	Assistant
2d Ward	Edmund Seaman, Anthony L Bleecker	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Henry Burtsell, Barent Newkerck	Constables
	Theophilus Beekman	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
3d Wd	Samuel Burling, Moses Rogers	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
	John Bogert	Ald[n]
	George Lindsay	Assistant
4th Wd	John De la Mater, John B Dash	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	John Ackerman, Joshua Hunt	Constables
[390]	Jotham Post	Alderman
	.....	Assistant
5th Wd	John P Ritter, James Drake	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	Samuel Montgomery, Joseph Dunkley	Constables
	Jacob De LaMontagnie	Alderman
	Anthony Brown	Assistant
6th Wd	Joseph Watkins, Peter Arell	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	Henry Bogardus, John N Johnson	Constables

	Richard Furman	Alderman
	Mangle Minthorn	Assistant
Bowery Division	Jacob Arden, William Hunter	Assessors
	Martin Morrison	Collector
7th Ward	John McLachlen, William Sloo	Constables
Harlem Division	Andrew McGown, Lawrence Benson	Assessors
	John Bussing	Collector
	David Willson, Blaze Moore	Constables

From the Poll List of the 5th Ward it appeared that Philip J Arcularius & Daniel Hitchcock the two Candidates for the Office of Assistant had each an equal number of Votes And the Board thereupon determined that no Election was had as it respected the said Office and therefore that Mr Arcularius continued in Office for the ensuing Year

[391] Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on the 15th Octr next to take the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter.

Ordered that Mr Carmer be appointed to superintend such Work & Improvements as shall from time to time be ordered by this Board in the place of Mr Harsen decd and on the like Terms.

Ordered that Gabriel Furman Esqr be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the $50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the Defence of this City) the further Sum of 10,000 Dollars.

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a further loan of the Bank of New York to the amount of $5000 to defray the current Expences until the present sickness & mortality in this City shall so abate as to enable to collection of Monies by Tax.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Justices of the Police Office for the Relief of certain indigent families from St Domingo	$40
issd	Rinier Skaats for fire Wood at the City Hall	$200
issd	The Health Committee of this Bd	$1000
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17:6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£116:11:6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£90:14:6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£95:13:—

[392] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of Octr 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer John Bogert	Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd Goodeve & Brown for a Box of Candles..... £3: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Octr 1798

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie John Bogert Richard Furman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer George Lindsay Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

Mr Recorder administered to the Aldn & Assistants above named (except Mr Arcularius who was adjudged to [393] continue or hold over in his Office the ensuing Year) & the other following Officers the Oaths prescribed by the Charter vizt

Daniel Phœnix Treasurer &c who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office.

Joseph Watkins Jacob J Arden	Assessors
Philip Fulkerson John Reins Henry Bertsell Barnt Newkerk Samuel Stockwell Robert Johnson John Ackerman Samuel Montgomery Joseph Dunkley Henry Bogardus John N Johnson John McLachlen William Sloo Blaze Moor	Constables

Ordered that the several standing Committees continue 'till the next Meeting of the Board.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$400
issd	Evert Bancker Surveyor on Acct	$15
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£119:17: 6

[394] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of Octr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Brown	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		George Lindsay	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Nicholas Carmer	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
John Bogert		William Bayard	

Ordered that Aldn G. Furman, Beekman, De La Montagnie & Post & Messrs Bayard & Minthorn be the standing Committee for Street & Roads

Aldn Bogert & Messrs Bayard & Lindsay the standing Committee of Accts

Messrs Carmer Lindsay & Brown the standing Committee for Lamps

And Aldn R Furman & Bogert & Mr Carmer the standing Committee for Repairs.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for the necessary Repairs to the Bridge at Brooklyn Ferry and for setting the Mud Drudge at Work in the public Slips

Ordered that James Black be appointed Inspector of fire Wood at Pecks Slip And Henry Crom at the Corporation Wharf on Hudson River and that Corns Van Voorheis be removed to Rhinelanders

[395] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$1000
issd	Theophs Beekman & Jacob DelaMontagnie Police Justices for their Services each $187 50/100	$375
issd	Magnus Beekman for the City Watchmen	£96:15: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 29[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Anthony Brown	Assist[ts]
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		Nich[s] Carmer	
Jacob De laMontagnie		George Lindsay	
Theoph[s] Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	

A Letter from the Commiss[rs] of the Health Office covering their Acc[t] Cur[t] was read & referred to the Health Com[tee]

The Opinions of Mess[rs] Harison & Hamilton on the Terms of Sale of the Common Lands were read & filed.

Ordered that Harmanus Gardinier be an Inspector of fire Wood at Pecks Slip.

[396] Ordered that Catharine Messerve be permitted to continue in the Occupation of the standing in the Fly Market of her late Husband George Messerve Butcher dec[d] for one Year or during the pleasure of the Board

Ordered that the several Butchers in the Fly Market render an Acc[t] on Oath of Market Fees due from them respectively for three Months last past

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	The Commiss[rs] of the Health Office on Acc[t]	$600
iss[d]	Josiah Furman for paint[g] & glazing	£14:14:10
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£89:17:10
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£119:17: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	£96:15: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer
Jotham Post		William Bayard
John B Coles		George Lindsay
Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangel Minthorn — Assistts
John Bogert		Thomas Storm
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius
		Anthony Brown

[397] Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members of the Board having returned from visiting the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell; The Comtee of Accts reported that they had examined the Books & Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them right

Those of the Alms House amounting to..... £1556: 4: 4
Those of the Bridewell to..... £211: 9: 1

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was read & approved vizt

for the Alms House..... £2500:—:—
for the Bridewell..... £500:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for paymt thereof accordingly.

An Application of Ebenezer Brush relative to the Wharf & Bridge at the Hudson River was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Ordered that the Widow of Adam Vandenbergh decd late a Butcher in the Fly Market be indulged with the like privilege granted at the last Meeting to Catharine Messerve

On a representation that from the exhausted State of the Treasury arising from the not collecting of the Taxes during the prevailance of the Fever in this City the Watchmen & Lamplighters & others having Claims against this Board remain unpaid.

[398] Ordered that the Treasurer be & he is hereby directed to negociate a further loan from the Bank of New York for such Sums as may be necessary for discharging those Demands not exceeding in the whole five thousand Dollars

Ordered that Charles Loss & James C Lawrence be appointed Surveyors in this City; Whenever they become naturalized Citizens of the United States.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office on Acct.....	$62.50
issd	The Justices of the Police Office on Acct for Relief of St Domingo Refugees.....	$80
issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct to purchase Coal for the City Hall	$100
issd	Robt Valentine for building a fire Engine House near the Hospital	£29:13:10
issd	The same for opening the Drain at Lispinards Swamp..	£65:11: 8
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt towards a Well lately sunk at the Corner of Pump & second Streets 7 Wd.....	$45
issd	The Clerks of the late Election of Charter Officers.....	$14

Mr Mayor informed the Board that many of the Passengers lately brought to this Port from Newry in Ireland on board the Ship Nancy Forrest Master had been suffered to land in this City without [399] any Bond being entered into accordgs to Law to indemnify this City agt the expence of supporting such of the said Passengers as might be unable to support themselves And that several of the said Passengers had already applied to the Overseers of the Poor for Relief

Thereupon ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to commence such Prosecution against the said Master as by Law is provided & directed

On suggestion of Aldn Coles the Board took into consideration the subject of investigating the Causes of the Fever which has prevailed in this City this Season and after some time spent therein the further consideration thereof was postponed 'till the next Meeting of the Board.

[400] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles Jotham Post John Bogert Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard George Lindsay Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Petition of several Butchers in the Exchange Market praying that the said Market may be removed to the Old Slip at their Expence was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

A Petition of Joseph Outenbogert for leave to purchase of the

Widow of James Young Butcher dec^{d} the Standing N^{o} 66 in the Fly Market was read & granted.

A Petition of James Campbell Butcher praying that the Standing N^{o} 19 in the Fly Market & which is become vacant by the death of Simmons Potter, may be granted to him; which was granted on Condition that he pay off the Note [401] with the Interest due thereon, which was given to this Board by the said Simmons Potter on his obtaining the said Standing.

A Request of John Garrison to be released from his Endorsement on the said Note of Simmons Potter was read & rejected.

A Petition of Thomas Lafoy late Collector of Taxes in the 4th Ward praying a further Time for the settlement of his Acc^{t} & paying into the Treasury the ballance due from him was read And it was ordered that the Treasurer proceed against him in such Manner as by Law is prescribed & directed.

Ordered that *that* such of the Charter Officers as have not already attended be notified to attend next Meeting to take the Oath's prescribed by Law.

Ordered that Sarah Everitt be indulged with the like privilege at her dec^{d} Husbands Standing in the Fly Market as that granted to Catharine Messerve on the 29th Ult^{o}

On a Complaint that a nauseous Effluvia arises through the openings or Chimnies of the Drain lately made by Isaac Gouverneur and leading to the Old Slip the Board do order that M^{r} Gouverneur be required [402] to prevent the Nuisance by shutting up the openings And also that he cause such part of the Pavement as may be sunken by the laying of the said Drain to be repaired.

An Ordinance for paving Chambers Street from Washington Street to the River was passed by the B^{d}

Ordered that the Butchers of the Fly & Catharine Slip Markets respectively do on or before 12 OClock of Monday next render an Acc^{t} on Oath, (agreable to form prescribed by the Mayor) of the Fees due from them respectively from the 30th July last to the 27th October last inclusive And also that they do by that day pay the Amount of those Fees.

Ordered that the Commiss^{rs} of the Alms House deliver to Peter Cole one Blanket for each of the crim^{l} Prisoners, And that the Commiss^{rs} hire a Cellar to store the Vegitables of the Alms House.

The Committee on the Application of E. Brush report that they have examined the Bridge or Wharf complained of & find the same

in a very dangerous State and that at a moderate expence the same may be put in such Repair as will answer the Purposes intended.

[403] Ordered that Mr E Brush & Mr James Knox be required to cause the said Wharf or Bridge [to be] repaired in such manner as to render it safe & convent

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City. viz

Engine N° 20 Jonah Cutting House Carpenter vice Paul Van Der Voort resigned And George Parker Bricklayer vice Abraham Rich dec

N° 23 John Vreeland vice Enos Vail removed into the Country

N° 14 John Vanderbeeck Cartman vice John Maghee removed &c

Ordered that the City Watchmen be reduced to the usual number

The Board resumed the consideration of the subject of investigating the Causes of the Fever which lately prevailed in this City When Ald Coles informed the Board that from Information he had received he believed the Medical Society had already entered on the Business Whereupon Mr Mayor was requested to inform the Medical Society of the Proceedings of this Board on the subject and to request of them Information as to the Steps they may have taken and the Progress of their Measures if any have been taken, and, if not, Whether they have any Advice or Opinion to offer to this [404] Board on the subject which may be useful in the Investigation, as the Common Council determine that the Subject shall not want their Attention or pecuniary Aid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Richard Harison & Alexr Hamilton Esqrs for their written Opinions on the Articles of Sale of the Common Lands sold at public Auction. $25 each.....	$50
	Richard Harison & the Representatives of John Cozine & John McKesson decd each the like Sum for their written Opinions on a Case stated on a contested Election of an Assist in the first Ward in 1791.....	$75
	(issd to Mr Harison) (issd & delivd to John R Cozine Jany 7th 1799) (issd & delivd to Maria McKesson Admx Jany 13th 1800)	
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£119:17:6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£119:17:6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£96:15:6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£96:15:6

[405] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
John Bogert
Jotham Post
Theophs Beekman
John B Coles
Richard Furman
} Esqrs Aldn

George Lindsay
Anthony Brown
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

The follows Assessors attended the Board & took the Oaths prescribed by the Charter vizt

1st Wd James Van Dyk

4th { John DelaMater / John B Dash

5th { John P Ritter / James Drake

Peter Arell 6th Wd

Edmund Seaman elected an Assessor of the 2d Wd attended & represented to the Bd that he had served two Years in the said Office & therefore conceived it unreasonable that (as but one Year had elapsed since) he should again be compelled to serve and refused to take the Oath.

A Petition of B. Hilton for Ann Braur relative to the expence of paving in front of her Lot in Augustus Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist. of the Ward.

[406] Mr Mayor reported that he had by Letter informed the Medical Society of the Proceedings of this Board at the last Meeting on the subject of collecting & investigating Facts relative to the Epidemic Fever which lately prevailed in this City and that by a Letter from Doctor Charlton in answer to his it appeared that the Medical Society had appointed a Committee to investigate the Causes, Progress and probable Means of preventing a Return of so dreadful a Visitation; which Letters were read And thereupon it was

Resolved that Alderman Gabriel Furman, Doctor Richard Bayley, Health Officer of this Port and Doctor William Hammersley Physician be and they are hereby appointed on the part & behalf of this Board, to collect & obtain Facts relative to the Epidemic Fever which lately prevailed in this City and to investigate the Causes & Progress thereof and the probable Means of preventing a Return of so dreadful a Calamity; And that this Board will provide for such necessary Expences as may accrue in the prosecution of this Business.

Ordered that the Aldn of the 2d 3d & 4th Wards be a Committee to enquire into the State of the Butchers Standings in the public Markets and to report such Reform on the Subject as may be proper.

[407] Ordered that the Aldn of the 1st & 6th Wards & the Assistt of the 4th Ward be a Committee to obtain from the Representatives of Casimer Th: Gœrick decd* late one of the City Surveyors such Maps Minutes & Papers as may be of public Use.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed firemen of this City vizt

Engine No 13 John Van Der Bilt Grocer & Caleb Horton Grocer vice James Woodhull & Richd J Beekman decd

Engine No 15 Samuel Willson, Millstonemaker vice Matthew Mc-Guire decd

Engine No 17 Edward Higgins Painter & Wm Goodman, Grocer vice Wm DeGrove & James Bertine decd

Engine No 24 Fred: Rydebach Cabt Maker vice John Taylor decd Thomas Earle Coach Maker vice John Borris for neglect of Duty & John West Carpenter vice Abm Corey decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

		£ : s : d
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursements.....	21:10: 3
issd	The Justices of the £10 Court.....	$240
issd	Joseph Little for Repairs to the Common Sewer & a Well in Roosevelt Street.....	£3: 2:—
issd	Cornrs B Sebring for Blacksmith Work to fire Engines..	£18: 1: 5
issd	George Gosman for Mason Work at the City Hall.....	£4:19:—

[408] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 3d 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, John Bogert, Richard Furman, John B Coles, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts: William Bayard, George Lindsay, Mangle Minthorn, Nichs Carmer, Anthony Brown, Philip J Arcularius

Lawrence Benson an Assessor for Harlem Division elected at the late Election in the 7th Ward appeared & took & subscribed the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

A Letter from Mr Mangin one of the City Surveyors on the Sub-

* Marginal note reads *of the late prevailing Malignant Fever.*—Ed.

ject of the Contract, entered into by him & Mr Gœrick decd, to make a Survey & Map of this City was read & referred to the Street Comtee

A Letter from Nichs J Roosevelt on the Subject of supplying this City with Water; was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

A Letter from Charles W Peale proposing to sell to this Board his patent Right of erecting Chimnies & fire Places according to his newly invented Plan, [409] within the Limits of this City was read & referred to the Members of the Health Committee to make the purchase if they shall judge it reasonable & useful for the benefit of the Inhabitants of this City.

The Bd approve that Wm Meyers be licensed as a Butcher to standing No 5 in the Exchange Market; And that the Resignation of Halsey Mead Butcher at standing No 9 Fly Market be accepted.

A Letter from Corns Ray Loan Officer, informing of his return to this City and that he was ready to lay the Loan Office Books before the Bd to shew that they are conformable to the Acct exhibited on the first Tuesday in October last, was read And the Board assigned 12 O'Clock on Wednesday the 12 Inst for the Purpose

Ordered that David Love be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal in the place of Robt Dougall during his Indisposition.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	David Waldron on Acct	$500
issd	The Commissrs of the Health Office for Ballce of their Acct	£ : s : d 399 : 8 : 11
issd	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to the public Roads	782 : 15 : 6
issd	[410] Latham Bunker for lamp Oil	1035^{35}/_{100}$
issd	John Halsey for 2 fire Engines	1799^{93}/_{100}$
issd	Provo & Smith for cleang Wells	£5 : 6 : —
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£88 : 17 : 10
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£69 : 5 : 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62 : 2 : 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85 : 4 : 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£90 : 3 : 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 12th day of Decr 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Ald.: Gabriel Furman, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, John Bogert, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts: Wm Bayard, Nichs Carmer, Mangle Minthorne, George Lindsay

*Evert Bancker & Cornelius Ray Esqrs Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers And this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes & Accts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed & required.

[411] A Petition of Danl Tooker to sink a Cistern partly in the Street was & read & granted to be done under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Wd

A Letter from Judge Cooper of Otsego County proposing on a Contract to lay Pipes in the Streets to convey Water through this City was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

From a Report of the Commissrs of the Alms House it appears that several Persons have been brought to this City from Norfolk in a Vessel called the Voluntier Dickson Master & landed without having been reported according to Law and some of them are already become a public Charge.

Ordered that the said Master be proceeded agt according to Law.

Ordered that Enoch Carter 4th Wd Painter be a fireman to Hook & Ladder Compy No 1 vice James Shotwell who has joined an Engine Compy

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Bernard Oblenis Clk of Police Office	$62 50/100
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps	£8:10:—
issd	Willet Seaman & Sons for Blankets for Prisoners in Bridewell	£65: 3:—
issd	Van Wyck & Phillips for Gun Powder on the 25th Novr last	$160 31/100
issd	Edward Bardin for a public Dinner on that Day	£41:15:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6

*Marginal note reads *Vide Minutes of last Meeting & of 2d of Octr last.* —Ed.

issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Provo & Smith for cleaning &c Wells.....	£51:16:—
issd	John Day Jur for Repairs to Common Sewer Roosevelt St	£2: 1: 4

[412] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr the 17th 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, John B Coles, Richard Furman, John Bogert, Jotham Post, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts: William Bayard, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius

A Petition of William Forrest Master of the Ship Nancy praying Relief against a Prosecution commenced against him by order of this Board for bringing to & landing in this City a number of Emigrant Passengers from Ireland was read & referred to Aldn Coles & G. Furman & Mr Bayard to enquire into & to order such Relief in the Premisses as to them shall seem meet.

A Letter from Mr Mangin one of the City Surveyors was read relative to a demand made on him by Mr Loss the Engineer Surveyor for the use of the unfinished Survey & Plan of this City which he & Mr Gœrick decd contracted to make for the use of this Board; Which Demand the Board considered improper: But directed that Mr Loss be allowed the use of the Survey Maps in the Clerks Office of the Water Lots on the East & Hudson Rivers.

[413] A Letter from Charles W Peal with papers enclosed relative to his new invented fire Places & Chimnies was read; which together with a Miniature Construction of fire Places & Chimnies were ordered to be filed & deposited in the Clerks Office Whereupon the Committee on that Subject reported that they had agreed on behalf of this Board to take an Assignment of Mr Peale's patent Right of erecting those Chimnies & fire Places in this City & County & to pay him therefor five hundred Dollars; which was approved by the Bd

Ordered that John Stagg be appointed a Commissioner of the Alms House & Bridewell in the place of Richard Lawrence decd

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men in this City vizt

Hook & Ladder Compy No 1	Saml L Page Junr 1st Wd Repacker of Beef & Pork vice Garrit De Bow resigned
Engine No 2.	James Jarvis 7th Ward Shoemaker vice Jesse Donaldson resigned

Engine N° 11. Matthew Somerindike 2d Wd Grocer & Abraham Egbert 1st Wd Carpenter vice Abm Ten Eyck & Richd Ham resigned.

Engine N° 21. John Bedient Wd Mercht vice Ernest Aubeck resigned & John Webb 3d Wd Grocer vice Caleb Haviland decd

[414] Engine N° 12. Andrew Morrell 5th Wd Mason & Thomas Willets 2d Wd Iron Monger vice Jacob Doty & Saml Mitchell decd

Engine N° 13. John Murphy 4th Wd Cooper vice Isaac Van Dyck Cabt Maker decd

Engine N° 18 Cornul Ferris 3d Ward Grocer Gerardus Post 3d Wd— Painter & Benjamin Mowatt 3d Wd Mercht vice Albert Ryckman resigned & Aaron White & Matthew Van Zandt decd

The following Report was read & approved by the Board vizt

The Committee appointed to investigate the Subject of supplying the City of New York with Water.

Report: That being impressed with the Importance of the Subject they have considered it with all the care and attention in their Power and incline to the Opinion that the Bronx River will afford a copious supply of pure and wholesome Water—They incline also to think that the Plan suggested by Doctor Joseph Brown for conveying the Waters of that River, is with some few variations, the most eligible that can be adopted. But as any Mistakes in the Plan or Conduct of the Business may be attended with incalculable Mischief, they would [415] recommend that Mr Weston who has been the Engineer for the Canal Companies in this State and whose abilities are well known, be requested to examine that River with the situation of the Grounds to be employed in the Aqueduct and such other Matters incident to the supply of the City with pure & wholesome Water from that or any other Source as he may think proper and that he be requested to report his Opinion to the Corporation with the requisite Plans & Estimates as soon as may be practicable.

Your Committee further report that they have considered the several Modes which have been suggested for the execution, either by Individuals or by the Corporation, of the Plan that may be finally adopted. They are sensible that each of these Methods, is attended with Difficulties But considering the immense Importance of the Subject to the Comfort & Health of their fellow Citizens, that it will not be undertaken by a Company unless upon the Prospect of considerable Gain; and that such Gain must be acquired at the Expence of the City your Committee have at length agreed that the Undertaking ought to be [416] pursued by and under the Controul of the Corporation as the immediate Representatives of the Citizens in general Under this

Impression and to avoid any further delays which may arise unless Measures are taken to prevent pecuniary Embarrassments and other Difficulties in the Course of the Business Your Committee would recommend That an Act be prepared & presented to the Legislature, investing the Corporation with the Powers necessary to effect the great End they have in view and granting them the Monies arising from the Tax upon Sales at Auction in the said City with such further Aid as the Legislature may think proper to enable them by the Reception thereof or by Loans founded thereon to defray the Expences incident to the Undertaking.

New York 17th Decr 1798

John B Coles
Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
John De La Montagnie

Ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to write to Mr Weston And that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare the Law mentioned in the said Report

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles W Peale for his patent Right of erects Chimnies & fire Places	$500
issd	Hugh Montgomery for paving at Burlings Slip	£35: 4: 8
issd	[417] Nichs Carmer on Acct	$600
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of Decr 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John B Coles
Jotham Post
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Jacob De LaMontagnie
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Brown
Thomas Storm
Mangle Minthorn
George Lindsay
William Bayard
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A circular Letter from a Committee in Philadelphia on the subject of an Application to Congress for a more efficient Quarantine Law was read And thereupon Aldn Coles & Gabl Furman & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee to confer with a Comtee of the Chamber of

Commerce and to join with them in such Measures on the subject of the said Letter as they may deem necessary & proper.

[418] The Treasurer presented the follow[g] Estimate of Monies to be raised by Tax to defray the Expences of this City the ensuing Year which [was] read examined & approved by the Board viz[t]

Estimate of the Expences of the City & County of New York for the Year 1799

	Doll[s]	
Alms House. Support of the Poor therein	37,500	
Bridewell do do	6,250	43,750
Roads repairing the Old & Compleating the New	7,500	
Streets. Improving & Repairing	7,500	
Support of Criminals in Prison	3,750	18,750
Fees for Collecting Taxes, City Treasurers Commission & Insolvents defecient in the years 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797 & 1798 not provided for by Law	13,750	
City & County Contingent Expences	18750	32,500
Amount of City & County Charges	Doll[s]	95,000
Watch. Culbertson & Lawrence for their Compan[s] of the lower Watch and Additional Men	11,250	
do Gobell & Beekman's upper Watch	8,750	
do Goal Bridewell & other Extra Stands	2,500	22,500
Lamps Supplying 1100 with Oil Including the Bridewell, Watch Houses and other Public Buildings	16,250	
Lighting and Cleaning	3,750	
Superintending New Lamps & repairing Old	2,000	
Wells and Pumps	2,500	
Deficiencies in the years 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797 & 1798 as above Stated for the City and County	5,000	
City Contingent Expences	3,000	32,500
Amount of City Charges	Doll[s]	55,000

New York Decem[r] 24 1798 Dan[l] Phœnix City Treas[r]

Ordered that a Copy of the said Estimate under the Seal of this Corporation be delivered to the Members from this City in the Legislature [419] with a Request that they obtain a Law for raising the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate by a Tax on this City & County.

The Street Commiss[r] reported on the Acc[t] of Evert Bancker Jun[r]

Surveyor and the said Acct was audited and it passed the Bd accordingly.

Ordered that the Comtee appointed to confer with the Comtee of Chamber of Commerce on the subject of Quarantine, examine the Health Office Law & report such Amendments as they shall deem necessary.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report such Amendments to the Law for the support & maintenance of the Poor as may be necessary.

Ordered that 500 Copies of the Proceedings of this Board together with Doctor Browns Memoir on the subject of supplying this City with Water, be printed in Pamphlets.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men to Engine No 16 vizt

John Coddington	.....	4th Wd Taylor
James Wood	.....	4th Wd Tinplate Worker
Evert Wenman	.....	4 Wd Taylor
Peter Dobb	.....	4th Wd Dock builder
John Vache	.....	4th Wd Florist

Vice Abm Russell—Peter Maverick—Michael Brooks—& Thos Skinner, resigned & John Fullam deceased.

[420] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House on Acct to be applied to the Relief of indigent families.....	$500
issd	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads.....	£118: 1:11
issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£23:14/
issd	The Estate of Casimir Th: Gœrick for Surveys Roads &c	£16:14:—
issd	Evert Bancker for the like..... (Wt delivd to Aldn Bogert)	£7: 4:—
issd	George Furman for repairs Lamps.....	£22:10:10
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£88:19: 8
issd	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to a Well in Barley Street	£2:13: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the City Watchmen.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

[421] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 27th Decr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assistts
John B Coles		William Bayard	
Theophs Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	

A Letter from Dr Richard Bailey Health Officer was read & filed.

Mr Recorder presented, accordg to order, The Bill for raising Monies by Tax to defray the public Expences of this City

The Bill for amendg the Act for the better settlement & support of the Poor

The Bill for supplying this City with pure & wholesome Water. which were respectively read & approved by the Board.

Resolved that Copies of the said three Bills be delivered to the Representatives of this City & County in the Legislature with a Request under the Common Seal that they obtain the passing of the said Bills into Laws.

[422] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 31st day of Decr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		William Bayard	

Ordered that an Application be made to the Legislature for a Law vesting the Right of Administration on the Estates of all Strangers who may die intestate in this City, in the Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City. And that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report to the Bd a Bill for that purpose.

The followg Report was read & agreed to by the Bd viz

"The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Forrest Report That they have taken into consideration the Prayer thereof And found there was not any Reason to expect that Capt Forrest could give the Security the Committee thought necessary to indemnify the Corporation for the Expences that may be expected to arise in supporting the Passengers he landed here That altho' he was the Owner of the Ship Nancy, others had liens upon her for [423]

nearly her value, they therefore proposed to the said Captain, as a Compromise, that he should pay into the Hands of the City Treasurer one thousand Dollars & give his own Bond to the Treasurer for two thousand Dollars; conditioned that he would pay any further Sum more than the thousand Dollars that may be by the Corporation expended for the support of any of the Passengers he brought here in the Ship Nancy—In conformity to this Proposition Capt Forrest has settled: giving his Note endorsed by John H Thompson payable in six Months for the one thousand Dollars

Decr 31st 1798

Jno B. Coles
Gabriel Furman
William Bayard

On reading an Acct of the expenditure of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Bd for the Defence of this Port & City with a Report thereon written subscribed by Aldn Coles, G Furman & Bogert the Committee of this Bd & Major Genl Hamilton & Colo Stevens wherein they solicit of this Bd to provide the further Sum of 10,000 Dollars to pay off the pressing Demands for unsettled Accts not doubting that the Legislature will provide for the repayment thereof.

Resolved that Aldn Gabriel Furman be authorized on behalf of this Board to [424] draw from the Bank of New York such further Sums as may be necessary for the above purpose not exceedg 10,000 Dollars.

Ordered that Aldn G Furman Coles & De La Montagnie be a Committee to consider of & report to the Bd a suitable annual Allowance to the Recorder for his various Services performed & to be performed for this Board.

Ordered that the Treasurer prepare a Book or List shewing all the real Property belonging to this Corporation with the annual Rent of each including Quit Rents reserved on Water Lots Ferries & other Things producing a Revenue.

Ordered that the Treasr be directed not to let the Corner House at the City Hall for the ensuing Year.

Ordered that Stephen Hustace of the 2d Wd Grocer be appointed a Fire Man to Hook & Ladder Company No 1 vice Robert B Debow decd And Benjamin Gilmore of the 4th Wd Cordwainer to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice John Throgmorton decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Wm Hardenbrook for repairs Lamps.....	£12: 6:—
issd	The same for the fire Engine Departmt.....	£211:14: 5
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of Police Office.....	$62.50/100

[425] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 7th day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman			

Mr Recorder presented to the Board a Bill for vesting in the Treasurer or Chamberlain the Right of administration on the Estates of Strangers dying in this City intestate; which was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that a Petition to the Legislature be prepared praying that the said Bill be passed into a Law—that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Isaac Stoutenburgh one of the Persons appointed to the Office of Commissr of Streets having declined to execute the Office, the Board took into consideration; Whether [426] one Commissioner was not sufficient to do that Business and it was determined in the Affirmative.

Whereupon it was determined that Richard Furman Esqr the other Commissioner be the sole Commissioner of Streets & Roads and that he be allowed for his Services at the rate of five hundred Dollars per annum. Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 1st Ward.....	£80: 3: 7
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

[427] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob DeLa Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		William Bayard	
Theophs Beekman			

A Letter from Mr Weston in answer to the Letter written to him by Mr Mayor on the subject of supplying this City with Water was

read He informs the Board that he will repair to this City as soon as possible and engage in the Business.

On a suggestion that in consequence of a Report that this Bd had called out of circulation the Notes issued by this Board as a substitute for small change many of the Citizens refused to receive them in payment.

Ordered that the Clerk publish in the News papers a Notification to contradict the Report

On an application of Dr Wm Burrell

Ordered that he be premitted to give Lectures in the great Court Room in the City Hall on the subject of Epidemics and Contagion.

[428] On reading a Petition of Robert Lilburn the Board agree to sell him the Piece of the Common Lands which lies between his Land and that of Thomas Buchanan on an appraised value when the boundary Line of the Land sold to Mr Buchanan shall be ascertained & settled.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	John Furman for printing the proceedgs of this Bd and Dr Browne's Memoir on supplying this City with Water	£17:17:—
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps in the 2d Ward....	£47:19: 9

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		George Lindsay	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	

[429] On the Request of Mrs Catharine Turnbull Ordered that the Treasurer pay off her Bond of $700 agt this Bd

Ordered that a Memorial signed by Mr Mayor with the Common Seal affixed thereto be presented to the Legislature praying that provision be made for repaying the $60,000 provided by this Board towards the fortifications lately erected for the Defence of this City.

A Letter from John Kortright of Harlem covering a Release of a parcel of Ground purchased by himself & others of Elizabeth Waldron

& John Waldron to open a Road of twenty feet wide from the Post Road to Meuttie Davids Vly on Hudsons River was read & referred to the Road Commissr—At the same time the Board direct that the Parties be informed that a Road of less than 60 feet wide cannot be accepted & worked at the public Expence.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received, dated in Albany the 16th Instant & subscribed by Elias Nexsen as Chairman of a Committee composed of the Members in the House of Assembly from this City & to whom was committed the Estimate (agreed to by this Board on the 24th Decr last) of the Monies which would be required to be raised by Tax for defraying [430] the public Expences of this City & County the present Year; which was read & referred to Aldn G Furman & Coles & Mr Bayard, with the Aid of Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder.

The following Report of the joint Committees of this Board, of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Medical Society & of the Commissioners of the Health Office was read & referred to Aldn Coles & G Furman & Mr Bayard & ordered to be printed. (vide annexed printed Paper)

CITY OF NEW YORK, *ss.*

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At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of January, 1799

The following REPORT was read and ordered to be published, for the information of the public, viz.

WE the Subscribers, a joint Committee from the Common Council, from the Chamber of Commerce, and from the Medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health Office, being appointed to investigate the causes of the PESTILENTIAL DISEASE which has lately prevailed in this City, and to suggest the best means to prevent its return —respectfully submit the following

REPORT.

Among the more obvious causes which contributed to produce the Disease, and the means of preventing its return—are,

I. *Deep Damp Cellars and Filthy Sunken Yards.*

A number of such Cellars in different parts of the City, and particularly along the East River, are used for sailor's boarding places and tippling shops, and during the last summer proved as so many graves to those who frequented them; and many yards are so situated as that the water, and fluids of all other kinds collecting therein, are

not carried off by drains either over or under ground, thus becoming a source of noxious exhalations:

The Committee, therefore, recommend that a law may be passed authorizing any person or persons, for that purpose appointed by the Corporation, to enter into any buildings and grounds suspected to be in the state beforementioned—that a report thereof may be made to them and that they may be furnished with power to pass ordinances for the filling up, draining and regulating of such grounds, yards and cellars; and, in case such ordinances are not complied with, to cause the same to be done by persons appointed for that purpose, the expense of which to be considered as a claim upon such property prior to all others whatsoever—And in cases where there are more than one lot of ground affected by such regulations and filling up, that five freeholders be appointed to assess upon each of such lots, such proportion of the said expense as equity and good conscience may dictate to them.

II. UNFINISHED WATER LOTS.

There is good reason to conclude that the unfinished state of the water lots upon the front of the city, contribute to produce disease: The Corporation ought therefore to have full power to cause all such water lots to be filled up with wholesome earth or other solid materials, to the outermost permanent line, as soon as possible. And in cases where the Corporation find it improper to improve to the said permanent line immediately, they ought to have the power of compelling proprietors to make sufficient bulkheads, and to raise and fill up the same with wholesome earth or other solid materials, so high as to cast the water collecting thereon, over the surface into the streets or river; and if the proprietor or proprietors of such lot or lots, refuse or delay complying with any ordinances that the Corporation may pass relative to either of the above cases; then and in that case, the Corporation ought to have the power of causing the same to be done in the manner that improvements are now made in the streets by assessment.

III. PUBLIC SLIPS.

The quantity of noxious air arising from foul slips, and the annoyance thereby experienced among the inhabitants in their vicinity, makes it necessary that some measures should be taken to correct this increasing evil. The Corporation therefore ought to have full power to cause to be filled up, altered and amended, all public slips, at such times and in such manner as they may think proper; one third of the expenses attending the same to be paid by themselves, and two thirds to be

assessed by five freeholders appointed for that purpose, upon the property in the neighbourhood of such slip or slips, in proportion to the benefits the respective proprietors thereof may receive.

IV. SINKS AND PRIVIES.

The noxious exhalations arising from sinks and privies in this city, have afforded just cause of complaint, and require that the Corporation should have power to correct this growing evil, by directing the filling up, altering or amending of those now in use, and the mode of constructing them in future; and causing subterraneous drains to be made from them in all cases where they may think it necessary; the expense thereof to be paid by assessment upon the proprietors in the manner that assessments are made for improving streets.

V. BURIAL GROUNDS.

The interment of dead bodies in the compact part of the city, between the first of May and the first of November, should be prohibited; and all graves should in future be dug at least six feet deep.

VI. NARROW STREETS.

It is found that new streets are frequently laid out in various parts of this city and its suburbs, so narrow as to prevent the free circulation of air: and that the borders of such streets are generally crouded with small wooden houses, with very small, and in some cases, no yards. It is therefore desirable, that in future, no street should be laid out within the city of New York or its suburbs, but such as shall be first approved of by the Corporation. Experience has shewn, that during the prevalence of pestilence in this city, it has proved particularly fatal in such streets.

VII. SAILORS BOARDING HOUSES AND TIPLING HOUSES.

These are the resort of sailors and the lower class of emigrants, and other disorderly persons; where drunkeness and debaucheries of every kind are committed, which often produce diseases of the most serious nature, especially during the summer months. Every necessary power to correct this evil, ought to be lodged in the Corporation.

VIII. DIGGING UP MADE GROUND.

The ground gained out into the river being composed in a great measure, of materials collected from the streets, is found, if dug up between the first of June and the twentieth of October, to produce

noxious exhalations: It is therefore recommended that no such ground be permitted to be dug up, during the above period, without permission first obtained from the Corporation, under heavy penalties.

IX. PUTRID SUBSTANCES,

Whether Animal or Vegetable.

The practice of re-packing and storing salted provisions in the city of New York, very much annoys the inhabitants in the vicinity of yards and store-houses where such re-packing and storing is done; and there is no doubt that the pickle necessarily collected upon, and absorbed into all grounds where provisions are repacked, together with provisions themselves very often becoming putrid in the course of the hot season, have furnished exhalations not only calculated to spread diseases, but from the most unequivocal evidence, did produce it in the course of the last season. Dried and pickled fish, hides and skins, are articles that produce similar injury; for although these, as well as pickled provisions, may be in a sound state at the time of landing here, (which very often is not the case) yet, in the course of the hot season, they frequently become putrid, the first baneful evidence of which, is the sickly state of the inhabitants in their vicinity. THEREFORE, all salted beef and pork in casks, all dried and pickled fish, and imported hides and skins, now in the city, ought to be removed to the northward of a line drawn from Corlaer's Hook to the North River, before the first day of May next: and no barrels of beef or pork, no [s]alted or pickled fish, nor imported hides and skins, should be stored to the southward of the said line after that time, except that any person be allowed to keep in a proper store, five barrels of beef and pork, three barrels of pickled fish, and four hundred weight of dried fish at any time, and no more under the penalty of for every offence—And all beef and pork found by the Inspectors in a tainted or corrupted state, and unfit for use or exportation, ought to be destroyed by starting it out of the cask into the stream of the river, at a suitable distance from shore: and the stores or houses of inspection ought not to be permitted on the south side of a line drawn from the East River along Grand Street and Bayard's Lane, North River, except on the margin of the Rivers, and then not on the south of Rhinelander's wharf, north of Reed street, nor of Rutger's slip on the East River.

X. WATER.

In suggesting the means of removing the causes of pestilential diseases, we consider a plentiful supply of fresh water as one of the

most powerful, and earnestly recommend that some plan for its introduction into this city, be carried into execution as soon as possible.

XI. TENTS.

Considering the many lives of the poor class of citizens, which might in all probability have been saved in the summer past, if an adequate number of Tents had been provided and pitched in the neighborhood of this city as an asylum for them, and that, for want of this, or some other shelter, they were obliged to remain in the seat of disease, and meet the fate with which they were threatened: the Committee are of opinion, that the providing of a number of Tents, sufficient for the accommodation of five thousand persons, and placing them in a situation from which they may be had on the shortest notice, is a measure dictated by the soundest policy and prudence. The first apparent expense of this object may be very much lessened by connecting it with the establishment contemplated for an army.

The joint Committee think proper to submit this report to the Corporation of the city, with an expression of their regret, that the reforms contemplated in it, must necessarily be productive of much inconvenience to many of their fellow citizens. On this subject, however, they do not hesitate to declare, that while they have been earnestly and anxiously employed in suggesting measures, in their opinion calculated to promote the public good, they have, as far as was consistent with the nature of their researches, been extremely cautious of interfering with the interests of individuals. With these impressions they express their hopes, that if the Corporation does not already possess sufficient authority to carry into effect the regulations enumerated, they will make an early application to the legislature for such additional powers as may be required for the purpose, and to afford a very summary mode of proceeding for any offences against their Bye Laws.

They further state, that in this report they have confined themselves entirely to such objects as respect the health of the present and future inhabitants of this populous and growing city: not having permitted the pleasures and conveniences of life to influence this report, if they had it would have been much enlarged.

They are aware that they have recommended great and strong power to be vested in the Corporation; but they do not believe any thing short of it will restore this city to its former healthy state. The sources of the afflicting pestilence with which we have been visited, are of too local a nature, to expect their removal without a strong

discretionary power being somewhere lodged by the State Legislature; and we know not where it can be so properly placed, as in the hands of the immediate representatives of the city, who already have the police of it committed to them, and with which the proposed reform is very intimately connected.

New York, 21st Jan, 1799.

Commissioners of Health.
JOHN OOTHOUT,
JACOB ABRAMSE,
RICHARD BAILEY,

Committee of the Medical Society.
JOHN R. B. RODGERS,
JAMES TILLARY,
SAMUEL L. MITCHELL.

Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.
GULIAN VERPLANCK,
CORNELIUS RAY,
M. ROGERS,

Committee of the Corporation.
JOHN B. COLES,
GABRIEL FURMAN,
WM. BAYARD,
WM. HAMERSLY.

Published by order of the
Common Council,
ROBERT BENSON, Clk.

A Petition for regulating Lombard S^{t} was read & referred to the Street Commiss^{r}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Theoph^{s} Beekman & Jacob DeLa Montagnie Police Justices each $187½	$375
iss^{d}	Office of Mercantile Advertizer	$50
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles	£2: 17: 6
iss^{d}	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps	£65: 16: —
iss^{d}	Archibald Dunlap for the like	£8: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Rob^{t} Valentine for an additional Building at Belle Vue Hospital	£445: 14: 2

[431] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer George Lindsay Anthony Brown	Assistts

The Committee to whom was referred the Letter from Elias Nexsen & read at the last Meeting of the Bd reported a Letter to be written by Mr Mayor in answer thereto which was read & approved by the Board.

Ordered that John Wheeler of the 2d Ward Cooper be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compy No 1 vice John Thomson resigned.

Ordered that a Recommendation from this Board to the Inhabitants of this City be published for the observance of Tuesday the 5th day of february next as a Day of [432] Thanksgiving, Humiliation and Prayer as recommended by the Clergy of this City.

The following additional Report was received & read & ordered to be published (vide annexed printed Paper).

SUPPLEMENT TO THE COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.*

Tuesday, February 12, 1799. *No.* 19.

The following additional REPORT has been received by the COMMON COUNCIL *since the publication of the last, and ordered to be published.*

WE the subscribers, a joint Committee from the Common Council, from the Chamber of Commerce, and from the Medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health Office being appointed to investigate the causes of the PESTILENTIAL DISEASE which has lately prevailed in this city, and to suggest the best means to prevent its return—respectfully submit the following

REPORT:

That the sources producing it are filthy sunken yards, where the offals of the house and wash of kitchens be until the earth absorbs or

* Through the courtesy of the New York Historical Society, which has a copy of this Supplement among its possessions, this report is printed here. The clerk included the Supplement in the manuscript volume, but that copy has become mutilated.—ED.

the sun exhales them—lengthy sewers without floors, and of little descent—foul slips exposed to the sun great part of the tides—decayed docks out of repair—vacant water lots—ground under stores and houses built on piles or timber, and running bare part of the tides; these are generally receptacles of every description of impurity and carrion.

They suggest as the most likely means under the blessing of a Beneficient Providence, to prevent the annual return of so dreadful a calamity—

FIRST.

Strong energetic laws, compelling delinquents to pay their fines for omissions or transgressions, immediately on the evidence of the Inspectors, who ought to be discreet men, at a reasonable pay, and removeable for inattention or malpractice at pleasure. Experience has sufficiently taught, that the tedious formalities of ordinary law-suits will by no means answer even the purposes of cleansing the streets and gutters—inconveniences which have been severely felt and strongly represented.

II.

Accumulations of the filth of winter, ought by all means to be removed as soon as the frost will admit; first to prevent substances from penetrating as the ground opens—and secondly, for the spring winds to pass over a clean instead of a filthy surface; and to be continued every succeeding Tuesday and Friday before eight o'clock in the morning, during the season; for which purpose it appears most adviseable to employ, at the public expense, a sufficient number of carts and craft to remove the surplusage above the quantity immediately sold and carried to the country to such places of deposit as can be procured, remote from settled neighborhoods—and that a sufficient number of bell-carts be employed in each ward to ring for notice at every —— yards distance, on every day of the week, except on Sunday, and to receive and carry away all the filth, offals and garbage of families.

And house-keepers neglecting to deliver their refuse matter shall be fined forty shillings, and the cartmen refusing to receive it, shall be fined ten shillings for every offence.

III.

As a number of cellars in different parts of the town, and particularly along the East River, are used for sailor's boarding places, and during the last summer proved as so many graves; that the Common

Council be authorized and required to cause such cellars, and all yards in a sunken and exceptionable condition to be so filled and raised as to render them as healthy as possible—and to cause all sunken and unfinished lots in the city to be so regulated as to cast the water into the streets, and where houses are not furnished with drains or gutters for this purpose, that the proprietors be compelled to provide suitable ones without delay

IV.

Descents in streets ought by all means to be made where it is possible, with a view of getting them thoroughly washed by every fall of rain. The dead level between the Coffee house and Fly market in Water street, where the water remains in the kennel, which in twelve hours corrupts and produces poisonous exhalations, may be remedied by raising at Mr. Waddington's store, so much as will give it a run, east to the Fly market, west to Wall street, and south to the end of Pine street. By this single improvement, five streets, including Pearl, get a descent; and many other such evils of stagnant water may be removed with equal ease. Without descents, water instead of contributing to cleanse and purify, will only increase the present evil by stagnating in greater quantities.

V.

That common sewers in every part of the city ought to be projected on such an inclined plain, as shall more readily allow the fluids they convey, to run off, and that they be floored with pitch pine plank, or other smooth materials, and that their openings be kept as nearly closed as circumstances allow, to prevent the rise of noxious exhalations—And that a decent person be appointed to inspect and cleanse those sewers, at least once in every ten days, between the first day of April, and first of November, in every year, at a reasonable pay for his services, and to be responsible for their cleanliness.

VI.

All slips ought to be filled, except such as the Corporation shall deem indispensibly necessary for the accommodation of market and produce craft [and for the protection and shelter of vessels in winter.] The docks in front of such ought to be altered, repaired and made, from time to time as occasion shall require, with large square timber substantially strong, and in the manner of the work of the Battery—And that each slip retained for those purposes, shall, in the lowest ebb-tides, contain not less than two feet water in the shallowest part—and

that all deepenings or digging out, shall cease by the 15th of May, and not commence before the 1st November—And, if the machines in use be insufficient, the number of proper vessels ought to be so increased as to perform this service in that time. When the proprietors of houses and lots fronting or adjoining, refuse or neglect to make or repair them, the Corporation ought to have it done without delay, the expense to be a lien on such estates, and an immediate recovery had against it by sale or otherwise. And such slips as shall remain when the permanent front of the city wharves and piers is completed, ought then to be filled with wholesome earth—one third of the expense to be paid by the Corporation, and the remaining two thirds, by the proprietors of adjacent houses—and the monies levied and collected in the manner now practised for digging out and levelling streets, by assessment.

VII.

Heavy fines should be imposed on boatmen and all other watermen, for casting the rubbish of their cargoes into any of the slips or docks, and on every inhabitant for similar offences.

VIII.

All water lots, ought to be filled up with wholesome earth and other solid materials to the outermost permanent line, before the of next; and if the proprietor neglect or refuse to do it, persons ought to be employed for the purpose by the Corporation, and the expense arising to be a lien on the property of each individual in a just proportion And where the Corporation find it improper to improve to the said line immediately, they ought to have the power of compelling proprietors to make sufficient bulkheads in front of the lots, and to raise and fill such part with wholesome earth or other solid materials, so high as to cast the water over the surface into the streets or river; and in case of refusal or neglect, to appoint a suitable person to carry the improvement deemed necessary into immediate effect, at the expense of the proprietors, and have a remedy against them respectively for the amount of the expense and interest, by sale or otherwise, within six months.

IX.

All salted beef and pork in casks, all dried and pickled fish, and all imported hides and skins, now in the city, ought to be removed to the northward of a line drawn from above Corlaer's hook to the North River, before the first day of May next; and no barrels of beef or pork, no salted or pickled fish, nor imported hides, and skins, should

be stored to the southward of the said line, after that time; except that any person be allowed to keep in a proper store, five barrels of beef and pork, three barrels of pickled fish, and four hundred weight of dried fish, at any one time, and no more, under the penalty of for every offence. And all beef and pork found by the inspectors in a tainted or corrupted state, and unfit for use or exportation, ought to be destroyed by starting it out of the cask into the stream of the river, at a suitable distance from shore. And the stores or houses of inspection ought not to be permitted on the south side of a line drawn from the East river along Grand-street and Bayard's Lane to the North river, except on the margin of the rivers, and then not on the south of Rhinelander's wharf north of Reed-street, nor of Rutger's slip on the East river.

X.

Between the first of June, and first of October, no fresh meats or dead fish of any kind, ought to be offered for sale, nor permitted to remain in the public markets after ten o'clock in the morning, except on Saturdays, and that no undressed sheep's heads, or trotters nor hides be brot to market at any time of the year.

XI.

The Common Council ought also to have the power to prohibit all slaughter-houses, and killing of cattle or sheep or calves, on the south side of a line, to be drawn across from the East river along Grand-street and Bayard's lane to the North river, and also to assign stations for all fishing vessels and smacks remote from the foul water, where the living fish may be kept healthy, and the dead ones thrown into the stream, without annoyance to the public.

XII.

No crude or rough butcher's fat ought to be tried in town. No glue manufactured—no sheep, lamb, or deer skins, brot or manufactured—no blubber stored—no hatter's dye stuff cast into the street at any time whatever—nor any oysters brot or opened in town from the first of May to the first of October.

XIII.

Pitching, leveling and repairing the streets and side-walks to be performed by commissioners specially appointed in Common Council for these objects, who shall cause the same to be done without delay: and if the owner or proprietor refuses payment of the expense, it shall

be a lien on his property, and sold within six months at vendue—the cost or sum assessed with interest and charges to be deducted out of the proceeds, and the remainder, if any, to be paid to the owner or proprietor.

XIV.

No old wharves shall be broken up, nor any cellars, cisterns or sinks dug out, for making or repairing either, on the south side of the town, south of the north side of Water street, between the first of June and twentieth of October, under the penalty of £20 for each offence—And all dirt, rubbish, or decayed materials, taken out before and after the respective times mentioned, and put in the streets, &c. shall be removed on the same day; and where the proprietor or occupant shall refuse or neglect, it shall be the duty of the street inspectors to cause it forthwith to be removed at his or her expense, and be allowed an immediate recovery for such expense in addition to the ordinary fine. And that no sand, brick, lime, clay or other materials for building or repairing, shall be brot or deposited in any of the streets, without permission in writing is first obtained from the alderman of the ward, under the penalty of ten pounds for each offence; and the commissioners of the Health Office, shall, on the same day, be notified of the grant of such permission, and at the expiration of the time limited, the owner shall be as amenable to the laws respecting streets, as other citizens.

XV.

All empty carts, hackney coaches, or sleds for hire, standing in any of the streets, squares, or on wharves, south of Pearl and Cherry streets, or west of Greenwich street, shall, after the law is published, be arranged one behind another, five feet distant from the kennels on each side, and take up towards the respective mentioned streets, so as to make foot passengers on the side-walks safe from vicious horses, leaving the middle part of such street, and the kennels free and open for cleansing. And if any cart, coach or sled is found to stand across such street, &c. the owner or driver shall pay as a fine, the sum of ten shillings for each offence.

XVI.

No cartman shall ride shavings, litter or straw, nor the last otherwise than in sheaves or bundles without a tight box of four feet high, and six feet long, without licence for the same; and every cartman riding either of those articles without such box, shall forfeit and pay as a fine ten shillings for each and every load; and that no joiner,

carpenter nor cooper, plane boards, plank, joice or other timber, nor shave any shingles, staves, heading or hoops, on any of the side walks or streets, under the penalty of twenty shillings for every offence.

XVII.

Every inhabitant feeding a cow, horse or hog, on any of the side walks or streets, shall pay a fine of twenty shillings for each offence.

XVIII.

Goods of whatever kind brought into Wall street, whether below or above Pearl street, or any other square or public street of the city, for sale, shall be removed before five o'clock in the evening of the same day, under the penalty of three pounds for each neglect—and if not removed by that hour, it shall be the duty of the street inspector, to employ carts and convey the same to the Alms-House or Bridewell yards, and on the following day to sell the same, and return the owner the overplus if any there be, after deducting all charges.

The open space between Water street and the head of the Old Slip, is recommended as a proper place for the sale of ship's tackle and materials, earthen ware in crates, hogsheads or bulk, and every other place for the sale of those articles at auction, whether damaged or not, should be prohibited.

All sales of household furniture and dry goods at auction, in the public streets, ought also to be prohibited, except articles sold for the benefit of insurers.

XIX.

That the interment of dead bodies in any church yard in the compact part of the city between the first day of June and the first day of November, ought to be prohibited; and that all graves dug for the reception of dead bodies shall not be less than six feet deep, under the penalty of .

XX.

The noxious exhalations arising from sink and privies in this city have afforded just cause of complaint, and require the interposition and authority of the magistracy to correct the growing evil, and to direct the mode of their construction in future.

XXI.

Taverns, tippling and boarding houses upon the low ground on the East River, are the places of resort for sailors, the lower class of emigrants, and other disorderly persons, where drunkenness and

debaucheries of every kind, are committed, which often produce fevers of the most serious nature, especially during the summer months. This evil ought to be corrected.

XXII.

It is found that new streets are frequently laid out by owners of ground in various parts of this city and its suburbs, so narrow as to prevent the free circulation of air; and that the borders of such streets are generally crouded with small wooden houses, with very small, and in some cases, no yards.

It is therefore desirable that in future, no street should be laid out within the city of New-York, but such as shall be first approved of by the Common Council. Experience has shown, that during the prevalence of pestilence in this city, it has proved particularly fatal in such streets.

XXIII.

In suggesting the means of removing the causes of pestilential diseases, we consider a plentiful supply of fresh water as one of the most powerful; and earnestly recommend that some plan for its introduction into this city, be carried into execution as soon as possible.

XXIV.

When we reflect that the lives of many of the poorer class of citizens might in all probability, have been saved during the last summer, if a number of tents had been provided and pitched in the neighborhood of this city as an assylum, and for the want of which or some other shelter, they were obliged to remain in the seat of disease, and meet the fate with which they were threatened, we think it our duty to recommend that a sufficient number be provided to accommodate at least five thousand persons—a provision dictated by sound policy and prudence.

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The committee cannot refrain from transmitting to the Common Council, with the inclosed report, an expression of their regret that the reforms contemplated in it, must necessarily be productive of *mush* [much] inconvenience to many of their fellow citizens. On this subject, however, they are bold in declaring, that while they have been earnestly and anxiously employed in suggesting measures, in their opinion calculated to promote the public good, they have as far as was consistent with the nature of their researches, been extremely cautious of interfering with the interests of individuals.

With these impressions, they express their hopes that if the Common Council do not already possess sufficient authority to carry into effect, the regulations enumerated; that they make an early application to the Legislature for such additional powers as may be required for the purpose.

Read and approved at a general meeting, New-York, 14th January, 1799.

JOHN OOTHOUT,
JACOB ABRAMSE,
RICHARD BAILEY, } *Commissioners of the Health-Office.*

JOHN R. B. ROGERS,
JAMES TILLARY,
SAMUEL L. MITCHILL, } *Committee of the Medical Society.*

GULIAN VER PLANK,
CORNELIUS RAY,
MOSES ROGERS, } *Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.*

JOHN B. COLES,
GABRIEL FURMAN,
WILLIAM BAYARD,
WILLIAM HAMMERSLY } *Committee of the Corporation.*

Published by order of the Common Council,
ROBERT BENSON, Clk.

New-York, Feb. 4, 1799.

* To be published in the several daily papers every day for one week.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report a Law to be passed by the Legislature for investing adequate Powers in this Board relative to the objects in the said Report.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Jacob Morton for Wm Mooney's Acct of Upholsterers Work in the Police Room.....	£3:12: 2
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£90: 9:—
issd	Jacob Sherred for paints the Barn at Brooklyn ferry Hs	£55: 7: 6
issd	The same for glazing Alms Hs.....	£1:12: 6

A Letter from Charles Wilkes Esqr Cashier of the Bank of New York to Mr Mayor dated the 23d Ulto signifying the Wish of the Board of Directors that Measures be taken as soon as may be convenient to the Corporation, to discharge the Bonds due to the Bank: was read & filed.

[433] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th day of February 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assists
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		Nichs Bayard	

Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the expenditures of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to.....	£4148: 7: 2
Those of the Bridewell to.....	1208: 5: 2

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	£3500:—:—
For the Bridewell.....	900:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt thereof accordgly

A Letter from Mr Mangin Surveyor on the subject of the Contract to make a Survey & Map of this City was read & referred [to] Aldn G Furman & De La Montagnie

[434] Mr Recorder presented to the Board the Dr of a Bill to be passed by the Legislature to invest this Board with adequate Powers in relation to certain Objects of Importance to the Health of the said City; which was read & approved And Mr Mayor was requested to transmit the same to the Members of this City in the Legislature.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Nova Scotia without signature on the Causes of pestilential Dissease & the means of Prevention thereof; which was read & the Board supposed that it would be well to have it published.

Ordered that the additional Report of the joint Committees, on the subject of the Causes & Means of preventing the unhealthiness of this City in the hot season of the Year, read at the last Meeting be also published in the News Papers

Mr Mayor informed the Board that Mr Weston, agreable to the Request of this Board, was come to this City to assist this Board with

his Opinion & Advice on the subject of supplying this City with wholesome Water.

Whereupon it was ordered that the Committee on that subject wait upon Mr Weston & communicate to him the Intentions of this Board

[435] A Letter from John P Waldron on the subject of the new Road from the Post Road at Harlem to Meuttie David's Vly on Hudson River; was read & referred to Aldn G Furman & Messrs Bayard & Minthorn.

A Letter from Mr Mangin on the supplying of the City with Water was read & referred to the Committee on that subject

Aldn G. Furman produced to the Board a Warrt from Mr Mayor in favor of Garrit Harsen for £200 in advance on Acct issued on the 3d Septr last which Warrt had not, by reason of the decease of Mr Harsen, been presented to the Treasurer for paymt Whereupon the Bd directed that the said Warrt should be destroyed & the same was destroyed accordingly

An Acct current of the Health Committee of this Bd was presented to the Board audited & filed.

Ordered that Isaac Coddington 6th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to Engine No vice Francis Parsman who has left the City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Admr of Casimir T Gœrick decd for his Moiety of the 2d payment on the Contract to make a Survey & Map of the City	$500
		£ : s : —
issd	[436] The Admr of Garrit Harsen decd in full for Balle of his Acct	137 : 11 : 10
issd	The Admr of John Cozine Esqr decd for his Accts of Atty & Counsel Fees	£45 : 13 : —
issd	Provo & Smith for cleang a Well in Eagle Street	5 : 4 : —
issd	Arthur Keefe for watching the Ground & Improvements at the Battery	6 : 17 : —
issd	The Justices of the £10 Court	$456
issd	James Culbertson City Watch	£85 : 4 : 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85 : 4 : 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62 : 2 : 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62 : 2 : 6
issd	John McComb for paving the Angle of Augustus Street	£9 : 9 : 7

[437] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 14th febv 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert
Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard
George Lindsay
Nichs Carmer
Anthony Brown
Mangle Minthorn
} Assists

The Grand Jurors at the late Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace having presented to the Court that Nicholas Lawrence Capt & David Waldron his Assistt of the City Watch had treated John Cross Junr with extreme Inhumanity after *after* he had been apprehended by a Wachman & brought to the Watch House

Ordered that they be notified respectively to attend this Board at 3 O'Clock on Monday afternoon next to answer and that Mr Cross be also notified to attend to substantiate the Charge

A Petition of Alexr Robertson & others Proprietors of Houses & Lots in Barley Street & Ann Street East of Broad Way complaining of the Regulation of those Streets by which they are to be filled up & raised to such heighth as will ruin their Houses.

And a Petition of Philip Ruckle the undertaker of the Work were respectively read & postponed 'till the next Meeting.

[438] Ordered that Aldn G Furman & Coles & Mr Bayard be a Committee to confer with the Commissrs of the Health Office on the Measures necessary to be taken for cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Dirt & Filth.

A Petition of John Holdron to renew his Lease of Paulus Hook Ferry was read & postponed.

And Aldn Bogert & Messrs Lindsay & Carmer were appointed a Committee to enquire into & report the Rates which ought to be established for Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries previous to the letting of them for a further Term.

On a suggestion that Many Persons had violated the Law for regulating Buildings to prevent Fires.

It was ordered that James Culbertson be appointed to commence Prosecutions against all Persons who have or who shall offend against the sd Law

Ordered that a notification be published requiring all Accts against this Bd to be exhibited within three Months vizt on the first Mondays of May, August Novr & February in every Year

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps.....	£3: 1: 6
issd	John S Hunn towards a Well lately sunk in Murray Street	£11:—:—
	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps 6th Ward	£76:12:—

[439] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th feby 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman		William Bayard	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	

On reading a Petition of John Ireland

Ordered that Aldn Coles & Messrs Minthorn & Bayard be a Committee to direct the fencing in with Boards so much of the Ground used as the City public burying Ground as may be necessary and the Residue of the said Ground with good Posts & Rails and also the planting of Trees in & about the said Ground as they shall think proper

A Letter from Mr Oothout as Chairman of the Health Office on the subject of the Accts of the Expences accrued last Year in consequence of the Yellow Fever was read And Aldn G Furman & Coles & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee to confer with the Commissioners of the Health Office on the subject.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 2d & the Assistt of the 3d Wards be a Committee to examine the State of the Wharfs between Wall Street and [440] the Fly Market & report to the Board what further Improvements are necessary

Ordered that John Blagge as Proprietor of the Hay Scale in front of the new Albany Bason on Hudson River be required to remove the said Scale from that Place in fourteen Days or that this Board will be under the necessity of taking other Measure for its removal to prevent the obstruction & nuisance it occasions in the public Street.

The Treasurer according to Order presented to the Board a List or Account, in a Book, of the Real Estate and Revenue of this Corporation which was examined & ordered to be filed.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the complaint of the Proprietors of Lots in Barley & Ann Streets East of the Broad Way, as to the Regulation of those Streets agreed to & established on

the 26th day of June 1797 and after due consideration of the situation of those Streets with the Streets & Grounds in the vicinity determined that no better regulation of those Streets can be made and therefore adhere to the said Regulation And direct that the Surveyors set posts or Marks in the said Streets to shew the heighth to which they are respectively to be raised.

[441] Ordered that Aldn Coles & Bogert & Mr Bayard be a Committee to report what Allowance ought to be made to the Clerk of this Board for his Services.

Ordered that the Clerk enquire of the Persons appointed for the purpose what progress they have made in the Assessments for opening Bancker Street & widening Beaver Lane.

Nicholas Lawrence Capt of the City Watch & David Waldron his Assist attended the Board agreable to the order of the last Meeting to answer to the presentment of the Grand Jurors for inhuman treatment towards John Cross Junr in the Watch House and Mr Cross also attended And the Board having heard Mr Cross on the subject of his complaint and examined several Witnesses on Oath vizt Abm Walker James Bigham Alexr Black Stephen Carmer John J. Demarest on the Part of Nicholas Lawrence & David Waldron in the presence & hearing of all the Parties Do determine & adjudge the Complaint unsupported.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£95: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Jacob J Lansing late Sheriff for Juro[r]s Fees to assess the Ground taken to open & widen Bancker Street & Beaver Lane	£3:15: 6
issd	Rinier Skaats for Salary & Disbursmts	£21:10:—
issd	Lindsay & Knox for flagging to Wells	£3:17:—
issd	David King for Beer	£3: 2:—
issd	Michl Brooks for paints & glazing City Hall & Bridewell	£16:14: 9
issd	Wm Eagles Repairs to Lamps	£8:11: 9

[442] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th February 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esquires Aldermen	George Lindsay	Assistants
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
John B. Coles		William Bayard	
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Brown	
Theophilus Beekman			

The Mayor informed the Board That on Friday last Mr Burr one of the Members from this City in the Assembly of the State together with John Murray Esqr as the President of the Chamber of Commerce, Gulian Verplanck Esqr as the President of the Office of Discount and Deposit of the Bank of the United States in this City, Peter H. Wendover as the President of the Mechanic Society together with Major General Hamilton and John Broome Esqr, according to an Appointment by Mr Burr, called on him and stated to him in the Presence of the Recorder, who was also requested to attend for the purpose, that great difficulties had arisen in the minds of the Members of the Legislature touching the Powers requested to be vested in this Board, by the Bill for supplying this City with Water and the Bill for investing this Board with adequate Powers in relation to certain objects of importance to the Health of the City: that it was Problematical whether those Bills would Pass in the form Proposed and He therefore submitted the Propriety of this Board requesting the Legislature that if those Bills respectively should not be deemed Proper in the form proposed by the Board, the Legislature should make such Provisions on the several Subjects thereof as to them should appear most eligible.

That after some Conversation with Mr Burr and the other Gentlemen accompanying him the Recorder and himself [443] requested that their Propositions might be stated in Writing to be communicated to the Board as on this day. And Mr Recorder now laid before the Board a Paper without Signature which he stated to the Board he had received from Major General Hamilton as the Propositions for their consideration this day, which being read

Resolved, That before the Board proceed upon the said Propositions they ought to be sanctioned by the Signature of the parties recommending the same; And that the Nature and Circumstances of the Difficulties which have attended the several applications made on the behalf of this Board to the Legislature should also be stated.

Resolved further that the above Resolution be communicated to Mr Burr and Major General Hamilton without delay; And as the objects above alluded to are of great importance to the welfare of the City, the Mayor be requested to call a special Meeting of this Board as soon as he shall receive the Proper communications in consequence of the above Resolution.

The Treasurer communicated to the Board that Mr Dawson the present Tenant in the Ferry House at Brooklyn declined keeping it after the first day of May next at which time his Term expires Ordered that the Clerk publish an Advertizement to receive written proposals sealed 'till the 16th March next. The highest Bidder to have a Lease of the Premisses for three Years to pay all Taxes & the Rent quarterly also to give satisfactory Security & reserving the Right to Mr Dawson to remove the Stable he erected on the Premisses.

[444] A Memorial of Isaac Man for payment of a ballance due him on a quantity of Pine Logs, furnished the Corporation on a Contract entered into in 1774, for Pipes to supply the City with Water was read And the Committee to whom the investigation of this subject was committed on a former application of Mr Man signifying to the Board that from the great lapse of Time & the not being able to have recourse to the Books of Acct & Papers which were taken away by Mr Cruger the then Treasurer of the Corporation who joined the British Army & with them left this Country, they had not been able to obtain satisfactory Evidence of the delivery of the Pine Logs agreable to the said Contract nor of the payments which probably might have been made to Mr Man on acct thereof; The Board determined it their Duty as Trustees for the public to leave Mr Man to substantiate his Demand by a suit at Law.

Hugh Gobell being about to remove from the Apartments in the New Watch House And Henry Hide one of the City Marshalls applying for the use of those Apartments The Board agree that he may occupy them on such Terms as the Aldn & Assist of the 6th & the Assistt of the 7ts Wards shall Judge Reasonable.

[445] On a verbal Report of the Committee to examine the state of the Wharfs between Wall Street & the Fly Market

Ordered that the Proprietors of the said Water Lots be respectively notified & required to cause those Water Lots and the Street of 70 feet wide in front of them to be compleatly made filled up with wholesome Earth & finished by the 1st day of March in the year 1800.

The Clerk presented to the Board a Release to Gilbert C Willet of Lots No 1, 2, 3, 4, 10 & 11 of the Common Lands containg in all 29

Acres 3 Roads & 30 Perches sold to him in the Year 1789 which was approved by the Board and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board, to be delivered to Mr Willet on his paying the consideration Money with legal Interest on the several Installments from the time they became due.

Ordered that Albert Kennard of the 6th Ward Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine No 19 vice Isaac Varian resigned.

John McNiel being charged by the affidavit of a certain Mary Wheeler of his being the Father of two illegitimate Children of which she was delivered on the 3d & 4th Days of Decr last [446] And for which he stands bound by Recognizance to appear at the Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace Now comes by his Petition to this Board setting forth among other Things that he has no property but depends on a salary of £150 per Annum for support of himself & an aged father of 80 Years of Age & a Sister with an Infant Child, who have no Means of support but what is derived from him, that he cannot possibly raise beyond the Sum of forty Pounds towards the support of those Children and therefore prays the Board to accept that Sum & release him from his Recognizance Whereupon this Board do consider that under all the circumstances of this Case it will be the public Interest to accept the Terms offered by Mr McNiel and that on his paying to the City Treasurer the Sum of forty Pounds he ought to be released from any further Trouble or Expence on acct of the public in the Premisses.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct for fire Wood.....	$100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office for 2 Mths Services	$125
issd	Michl Brooks for repairg Lamps.....	£38: 6: 11

[447] City of New York } ss: At a Common Council held on Thursday the 28th day of February 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post John Bogert Theophilus Beekman Jacob De La Montagnie Gabriel Furman	Esquires Aldermen	Nicholas Carmer George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown	Assistants

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Major General Hamilton together with a written communication from him which were read in the Words following, to wit,

New York Feby 26. 1799.

Dr Sir

I last night received your Letter dated Yesterday.

The Resolutions of the Common Council discover a mistake as to the Characters under which the Gentlemen named in them made their Communication to yourself and the Recorder. They did not pretend to appear in an official Capacity, but intended to be considered merely as private individuals.

As such they gave information which they thought might be useful to the City. Specific Propositions in Writing were requested from not proposed by them—these were sent in an informal shape, because it was not meant to attach formality to their interposition. Having been digested by me as the Sum of a Previous conversation among ourselves, I have no objection to authenticate them by my Signature—and [448] I freely add that the changes in the Plan of the Corporation which they suggest have the full concurrence of my Opinion.

With respect and esteem I am

Dr Sir

Richard Varick Esqr

Your Obed Servant
A. Hamilton

Among the objects on all hands agreed to be necessary towards preserving the City from Pestilential diseases are the following

1 The conveyance of Water in pipes through every Part of the City as well for the more convenient Washing and cleansing of the Streets, Alleys and Lanes as for the supply of the Inhabitants.

2 The filling up, lowering and draining of such Grounds within the City as may require it including the Lots adjacent to Hudsons River and the Sound as far into the Water as may be deemed ex-

pedient and causing proper bulkheads to be made adjoining or opposite to those Lots

3 The filling up, altering and amending of public Slips.

4 The filling up, altering and amending of Sinks and privies.

5 The establishment of Common Sewers or subterraneous drains and the altering and amending of such as may now exist.

As to the first Point, the Plan Proposed by the Corporation is that the Business shall be executed by the Corporation for their own benefit, and that towards enabling them to do this, the Legislature shall grant to them for a term of Years the Revenue arising from Sales at Auction. No other fund is indicated by the Bill. Probably it is contemplated that Loans may be obtained on the foundation of the revenue [449] to arise from the supply of the Water and the Deficiency, if any, may be made up by taxes on the City.

The Success of this Plan is Problematical. It is doubtful whether the Legislature, diminished as are some of the resources of revenue, on which it has for sometime relied, will be willing to grant the fund arising from Auctions, for the profit of the Corporation, for such a term as will make it go far towards accomplishing the object. Computing it's annual Amount at 30,000 Dollars, if granted for twenty Years, which is as much as can be hoped, it would be equal only to a Capital of 344097 Dollars and 60 Cents, interest at 6 ℔ Cent.,

But it is hardly to be expected that money can be borrowed at so low a rate—How far short will this be of the Sum probably requisite! This cannot safely be estimated at less than a Milion of Dollars, if the business be done on a Scale sufficiently extensive. The Amount of the revenue to result from the supply of the Water must be for some time uncertain and under this uncertainty extensive loans on this basis ought not to be counted upon. To raise what may be wanted by taxes to carry on the enterprise with vigour might be found so burthensome on the Citizens as to occasion the operation to languish

It is not to be doubted, that it will Promote the Convenience of the Citizens and secure the final Success of the object to let in the aid of a Capital to be created by the voluntary contributions of individuals

This may be obtained on a Plan like the following:

Let a Company be incorporated of all those who shall subscribe to the fund with a Capital not exceeding a Milion of Dollars to be composed of Shares of fifty Dollars each, the affairs of which to be managed by seven directors [450] annually chosen by the Subscribers, except that the Recorder of the City for the time being shall always be one.

Of this Capital a privilege to be reserved to the Corporation of the City to subscribe for any Number of Shares not exceeding a third; to enable them to do which a Grant of the Auction duties to continue to be solicited, and a power to be asked to raise on the City an annual revenue equal to the interest and gradual reimbursement of the Principal of such additional Loans as may be found necessary.

The Company to have Powers similar to those which the draft of the Bill contemplates to be given to the Corporation. Further details need not be specified.

By this expedient the success will become certain and the enterprise can be carried on with energy and dispatch.

As to the remaining points, they may be considered together

The powers to be conferred by the Legislature will have referrence first to the accomplishment of what is contemplated to be done in the first instance—secondly to the future execution of similar measures in cases hereafter to arise and the Preservation of things in the State in which they shall be placed.

In respect to the latter the Powers must be vested in a permanent body and the Corporation very naturally offers itself as that body. The Successive execution of the system in future may be reconciled with the attention which the Corporation is obliged to pay to its ordinary concerns.

But it is the opinion of many that the Prompt and vigorous execution of what is to be done, in the [451] first instance, will be better effected by Commissioners to be appointed for the special Purpose, than by a body whose attention must necessarily be engrossed and distracted by a great multiplicity of other avocations.

It is by those who entertain this Opinion, desired that the powers for this primary operation may be vested in Commissioners not exceeding in Number seven. Their authority may be limitted to two Years and the like powers, to be exercised after that period, vested in the Corporation. All other powers contemplated to be obtained may remain as proposed in the Bill which has been prepared on behalf of the Corporation.

It will be seen that the only points of difference between this plan and that which has been adopted by the Corporation consist in the calling in the aid of private Capital for the Conveyance of Water to the City—and the vesting of the powers respecting the enumerated Points in the first instance in Commissioners instead of the Corporation.

It is believed, that the main object will be promoted, if the Corporation will signify to the Legislature, either directly by memorial, or

indirectly, by a Communication to the members of this City, that alterations in their plan corresponding with the changes here suggested, if more agreeable to the Legislature, will not be unacceptable to them.

Alexander Hamilton.

Whereupon the Board came to the following Determination on the Subject (to wit)

Whereas by the Report of a joint Committee from this Board from the Chamber of Commerce and from the medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health [452] Office, dated the fourteenth day of January last, a Variety of Regulations and improvements in this City were recommended as of primary importance to the health and welfare of the Inhabitants—And Whereas the introduction of a Copious supply of pure and wholesome Water into the City has long been contemplated by the Board and is esteemed by the said Committee "one "of the most powerful means of removing the causes of pestilential "diseases" And Whereas this Board in order to carry the objects of the said Report into Effect, and with a view to obtain such supply of Fresh Water, for the benefit of the Citizens in general, and in Pursuance of the recommendation of the said Committee has directed certain Bills to be prepared and submitted to the Consideration of the Legislature by means of which the Care and Duties of this Board, as such, would be considerably extended, and the individual members thereof be subjected to great additional trouble, without any Emolument to themselves And Whereas Objections have arisen to the said Bills upon the Ground that a Company would be best adapted to the Business of supplying the City with Water, and that the other objects recommended in the said report would be better accomplished under the Direction of Commissioners to be appointed for those special Purposes, Therefore

Resolved, That this Board is truly anxious that the Measures recommended by the said joint Committee and every other Measure which may promote the health and welfare of the City, be pursued in the way that may be most likely to secure those important Ends; And altho' the members of this Board have not been unwilling to subject themselves to great trouble and responsibility from a sense of Duty, Yet having no private Motives to wish for any peculiar Agency in this business, they will be perfectly satisfied if [453] the objects in View are pursued in any Way that the Legislature may think proper by which their fellow Citizens may be benefitted in the most easy, safe and effectual method, and the Charter rights of the City remain inviolate.

Resolved, That a Copy of the above Resolution under the Common Seal, together with the Papers and Proceedings of the Board relating to the Subject, be transmitted to such Members of the Board as are at present in the Legislature.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Theophilus Beekman, John Bogert, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts: George Lindsay, Nicholas Carmer, William Bayard, Mangle Minthorn

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office covering their Accts of the last year was read & referred to the Committee appointed on the 18th Ulto to confer with them on that subject

A new Mode of constructing & placing Lamps in the Streets was pre[se]nted by Mr Bitlinger was read & referred to the Lamp Committee

A petition from the Inhabitants in the vicinity for taking down & removing the Building called the Exchange was read and the consideration postponed 'till next Meeting

[454] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the first day of January to the twenty ninth day of December 1798 inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Hugh Gobel and James Culbertson Deputy Clerks of the Market (including Ninety three pounds twelve shillings paid by his Order for Sweeping and cleansing the Markets) the Sum of one thousand five hundred and eighty five pounds thirteen shillings and six pence. That the Mayor has retained the one half of the last mentioned Sum to his own use and has paid the Residue or Ballance to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer.

The Committee further Report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March to the 25th day of January last inclusive. That he has received for 1071 Licences the Sum of one thousand six hundred and six

pounds ten shillings; That he has retained three tenth parts thereof to his own use; That he has paid two tenth parts thereof to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Licences &c[a] fourteen pounds four shillings. That he has paid to William W Gilbert Esquire twenty pounds one shilling and eight pence as a Commissioner for receiving and paying the one half of the said Sum of £1606:10:0 due to the Board and that he has paid the Ballance of Seven hundred & sixty eight pounds nineteen shillings and four pence to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer All which appears from the preceding Accounts

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John Bogert
Wm Bayard
Geo: Lindsay
} Auditing Committee

[455] M[r] Mayor communicated to the Board that James Culbertson by Reason of Indisposition was rendered unable to execute the Office of a Deputy Clerk of the Market and that he had appointed Bartholomew Skaats in his stead; which was approved by the Board

Ordered that Mess[rs] Minthorn & Brown be a Committee to direct the securing of a dangerous Well on Delanceys Ground 7[th] Ward

The Committee on the Rates to be established for Paulus Hook & Hoboken Ferries delivered in a Report which was postponed 'till next Meet[g] and the same Committee were appointed to confer with the present Lessees as to the Rent, for a further Term.

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on Acct	$500
iss[d]	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed criminals & Vagrants to Bridewell	£29:17:6
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£90:4:10
iss[d]	Arthur Smith for stone Gutters to public Wells in 6[th] Ward	£5:17:9
iss[d]	John Keyser for repairs a Watchman's Box	£1:16:—
iss[d]	Isaac Torboss for paints Pumps	£2:11:10½
iss[d]	David Marshall for superintends the City burying Ground	£38:2:—
iss[d]	Office of daily Advertizer	£16:13:4
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	£85:4:6
iss[d]	James Culbertson for the like	£85:4:6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62:2:6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62:2:6

[456] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		William Bayard	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		George Lindsay	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post			

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Petition read at the last Meeting for the taking down & removing the public Building, in the lower part of Broad Street, called the Exchange And on the Question for granting the Prayer of the said Petition it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

for the Affirmative.	for the Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn Post
Aldn Bogert	Aldn Beekman
Aldn G Furman	Mr Brown
Aldn DeLaMontagnie	Mr Minthorn
Ald. Coles	Mr Carmer
Mr Lindsay	
Mr Bayard	

Ordered that Aldn G. Furman Aldn Coles & Mr Lindsay be a Committee to take order for the taking down & removing of the said Building between the 20th May & the 20th of June next; reserving for the [457] public use the Bell & stone flagging in & about the said Building & such other Articles as they shall judge proper And ordered that the Clerk notify Mrs Baker the present Occupant of the determination of the Board on this Subject and that she remove from the said Building by the 20th of May next.

On the Application of Peter R Livingston Register of the Court of Chancery

Ordered that the middle lower Room on the East side of the City Hall be appropriated for the safe keeping & deposit of the Records of the said Court

That the northeastern upper Room in the City Hall be set apart for the holding of the Court of Chancery; And that the Clerk of this Board take order for putting the said Room in proper order.

Ordered that the Clerk report to the Board the State of the Business respecting the Deeds to the purchasors of the Common Lands with the Names of such as refuse or decline accepting of their Deeds.

A Report of Dr Mitchell on the Plan of an Œlopile for correcting the foul Air in crouded Court Rooms presented to the Board by Dr Ball was read and thereupon

Resolved that this Board are sensible of the Ingenuity of the Invention: but cannot at present determine as to the Means of carrying it into execution.

[458] Resolved that this Board will meet on Saturday next to receive such Report as the Committee, who were appointed to confer with the Commissrs of the Health Office on the most effectual Measures for cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Filth & Dirt, may be prepared to make.

A Petition of Mary Vandebergh Widow of Cornⁿ Vandebergh Butcher decd praying the like Indulgence granted the Widows of other Butchers; was read And it was ordered that she be indulged in like manner as the Widow of George Messerve to continue in the occupation of her decd Husbands Standing in the Fly Market for one Year or during the pleasure of the Board.

On reading an Application of Isaac Moses

Ordered that he be permitted to erect a Lime House in the Street in front of the Buildings he is about to erect in Wall Street adjoining the Tontine Coffee House And also (to prevent the danger of Bricks & other Articles falling on the Inhabitants) that he be permitted to run a fence, along the front of the Lot, in the Street to enclose the Buildings—The whole to be done under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward & to remain until the said Buildings shall be under cover & no longer.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Rates of Ferriage to be taken at the Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries [459] as reported at the last Meeting which were approved & established as follows vizt

For Paulus Hook

A Passenger	£0: 0: 9
A Coach, Chariot, Coachee or covered Waggon	0: 8:—
A Phœton	0: 5:—
A Chaise or top Chair	0: 3: 6
A Chair	0: 2: 6
A Sleigh	0: 2: 6
Horses & Cattle	0: 1: 9
A Sheep Calf or Hog	0: 0: 6
A large Trunk or Chest	0: 1:—
A small do do	0: 0: 6
A bushel of Salt	0: 0: 2
A Pipe or Hogshead of Wine, Spirits or Molasses	0: 6:—
A Barrel of do	0: 1:—

A barrel of Beef Pork Flour or Fish	£0: 1:—
Plank of every kind. each	0: 0: 1½
Boards do	0: 0: 1
A side of sole Leather	0: 0: 2
do upper do	0: 0: 1
A raw Hide	0: 0: 3
Iron Steel Lead &c pr CWt	0: 0: 6
A Desk	0: 3:—
A Large Table	0: 0: 9
A small do	0: 0: 4
A Mahogany Chair	0: 0: 2
A common do	0: 0: 1
Basket or Bag of Fruit of 2 bushls	0: 0: 4
Bag of Grain do	0: 0: 3
Bag of Flour or Meal	0: 0: 3
A Crate of earthen Ware	0: 2:—
[460] A Tierce of earthen Ware	0: 2:—
A feather Bed	0: 0: 6
A Clock Case	0: 1:—
A Chest of Tea	0: 2:—
Dye Wood Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
Indigo & Copperas Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
Gun Powder Pr CWt	0: 1:—
A Lage Bale of Cotton	0: 2:—
An empty Hogshead or Pipe	0: 1:—
do do Barrel	0: 0: 3
Shad Pr hundred	0: 2:—
Cabbages Pr hundred	0: 1: 6

And all other Articles & Things in like proportion.

For Hoboocken.

A Passenger	£0: 0: 9
A Coach, Chariot, Coachee or covered Waggon	0: 8: 6
A Phaeton	0: 5: 6
A Chaise or top Chair	0: 3: 6
A Chair	0: 2: 6
A Sleigh	0: 3: 6
Horses & Cattle	0: 1: 9
A Sheep Calf or Hog	0: 0: 6
A large Trunk or Chest	0: 1: 3
A small do do	0: 0: 9
A Bushel of Salt	0: 0: 2½
A Pipe or Hogshead of Wine Spirits or Molasses	0: 8:—
A Barrel of do	0: 1:—
A Barrel of Beef Pork Flour or Fish	0: 1: 3
Plank of every kind	0: 0: 2
Boards do	0: 0: 1
A side of sole Leather	0: 0: 2
A side of upper Leather	0: 0: 1

A raw Hide	£0: 0: 3
[461] Iron Steel Lead &c Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
A Desk	0: 3:—
A large Table	0: 1:—
A small do	0: 0: 6
A Mahogany Chair	0: 0: 2
A common do	0: 0: 1
A Basket or Bag of Fruit of two Bushels	0: 0: 4
A Bag of Grain of do	0: 0: 3
do of Flour or Meal	0: 0: 3
A Crate of Earthen Ware	0: 2:—
A Tierce of do	0: 2: 3
A feather Bed	0: 0: 6
A Clock Case	0: 1:—
A Chest of Tea	0: 2:—
Dye Wood Pr Ct Wt	0: 0: 6
Indigo & Copperas Pr Ct Wt	0: 0: 6
Gun Powder Pr Ct Wt	0: 1:—
A large Bale of Cotton	0: 2:—
An empty Hogshead or Pipe	0: 1:—
do do Barrel	0: 0: 3
Cabbages Pr hundred	0: 1: 6
Shad Pr hundred	0: 2:—

And all other Articles & Things in like proportion.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	£6: 5:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Box Candles	2:10:—

[462] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 16th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John Bogert	Esqrs Alda	William Bayard George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer	Assistts

His Excellency the Governor with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esqr to the Office of Mayor of this City for the Year ensuing his Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published & he took the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter.

The Clerk presented the engrossed Grant to James Homer Maxwell of a certain Water Lot on the East River situate in the second

Ward between front Street & South Street; which was read and approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto And that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board to be delivered on Mr Maxwell's executing the counterpart [463] The Clerk also presented a Release to Caspar Samler of Lot No 34 And a Release to John Thomson of Lots No 27-28-29 & 30 Parcel of the Common Lands which were also read & approved by the Bd & ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to And that Mr Mayor subscribe the said Releases to be delivered on paymt of the consideration Money with legal Interest from the time the payments became due agreable to the Articles of sale

Mr Mayor presented to the Board a Report made to him by Mr Weston on the subject of supplying this City with wholesome Water; which was read And it was ordered that *that* it be printed in Pamphlet in like manner as that of Dr Browne on the same subject and that a manuscript Copy be immediately sent to the Members of this Bd in the Legislature at Albany.

The Committee appointed on the 10th of Septr last to aid the Health Commissrs in the execution of their Business & to take Measures for the Relief of the sick & indigent during the then prevailing Sickness in this City presented to the Board an Acct Currt from which it appears that besides the Donations in Money & Provisions by them [464] received they had expended to the amount of Eleven thousand Six hundred Dollars & forty seven Cents advanced by this Board; which said Acct was ordered to be published for the Information of the public, & in hand Bills for the Members of the Legislature and that the original be immediately sent to the Members of this Board in the Legislature at Albany

iss[d] An Acct Currt between this Board & the Commissrs of the Health Office was also read & filed And from which it appears a ballce is due from this Board to the said Commissrs of £1239:3:2.

The Board then took into consideration the Allowance which ought to be made to the said Commissioners & determined the allowance to the said Commissrs for their Services last Year as follows.

iss[d]	To Dr Richard Bayley Health Officer.....	£200:—:—
iss[d]	To John Oothout Commissr.....	£100:—:—
iss[d]	& To Jacob Abramse do	£100:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr for the payment of the said Ballance & the said Allowances accordingly.

Ordered that a Gen[l] Letter of Atty to M[r] Recorder as Atty & Council of this B[d] be made with the Common Seal affixed And that he be authorized to retain Council to assist him.

[465] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 26[th] day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Esqrs Ald[n]: Gabriel Furman, John Bogert, Jacob De laMontagnie, Theoph[s] Beekman, Jotham Post, John B Coles

Assist[ts]: George Lindsay, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Brown, William Bayard

John Bogert Esq[r]
Nicholas Carmer Merch[t] } admitted & sworn as Free Men of this City

The Clerk presented to the Board written proposals sealed for the Ferry House at Brooklyn on opening & reading of which those of David Ross appeared to be the highest viz[t] £205 per Annum. Ordered that a Lease to M[r] Ross be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that until the Legislature shall make other Provision in the Premisses An Extract of such Part of the Law for preventing Nuisances as respects the scraping up the Dirt in the Streets be published in the News Papers.

Ordered that an Advertizement be published for receiving written proposals sealed 'till the 6[th] April next inclusive for the leasing of Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries for three Years from the 1[st] May next.

[466] Ordered that George Lindsay & Philip Jacobs be permitted to plant Trees in front of their respective Houses And that M[r] Mayor have permission to make Vaults in the Broad Way & Pine Street in front of his Houses; the whole to be done under the direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the W[d]

A Representation of Robert Mott Inspector of Flour suggesting an Improvement in the Assize & Regulation of Bread; was read & referred to Ald[n] Coles & Bogert & M[r] Lindsay

Ordered that M[r] Carmer take order for repairing the front of the Old Slip Wharf

Ordered that a Warr[t] issue to pay Henry Willits for paving in front of a Lot of Ann Dealing dec[d] in Oliver Street for £12:7:— and that a Suit be commenced for the same against Walter Bowne the Occupant of the said Lot.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to enquire into the State of the Water Lots which were intended to be granted to Trinity Church & improved by Fredck Rhinelander as also those of Henry Ten Broeck now belonging to Peter P. Van Zandt

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$500
issd	Conradt Withman for Repairs to Lamps	£4:11: 6
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£811:17:—
issd	James Riker for Iron Work to Pumps	£0:12: 9
issd	the same for Iron Work to Hudson Wharf	£5:18:—
issd	John B Dash for Repairs to Watch Hs Stove	£0:14:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[467] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 1st 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert
Jotham Post
Gabriel Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
John B Coles
} Esqrs Aldn

George Lindsay
Nicholas Carmer
Mangle Minthorne
Anthony Brown
} Assistts

Ordered that the Justices of the Police Office be permitted to store in the Bridewell Yard such Pitch Tar & Turpentine as they shall find necessary from time to time to remove there

A Petition of James Amory for Relief on a Suit bro't against him, by order of this Board, on the Law for regulating Buildings; was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Coles.

On reading a Petition of Wm Williams

Ordered that he be permitted to sink a Rain Water Cistern in the Street adjoining his House at the Corner of Partition & Washington Streets, under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Resolved that the like permission be not granted in future unless the Cistern be made of Brick or Stone & arched with the same Materials.

[468] A Petition of Messrs Ellis & Clarkson to plant Trees in front of their Houses in Liberty Street was rejected because the Street is less than 40 feet Wide.

Ordered that a notification be published informing the Inhabitants that Trees may be planted in any Street of the Wedth of 40 feet & upwards, under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that John Fox be permitted to make Area's to his new Houses in Murray Street under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

Ordered that Mr Waldron repair the Road going up the long Hill at Harlem between the 9 & 10 Mile Stone.

And that Mr Carmer take order for repairs the Injury to the Common Sewer in Chambers Street and to prevent the laying of Timber or other Things thereon so as to injure it in future.

Ordered that Henry Hulsart of the 7th Wd Cartman & Corns Peterson of the same Place Blacksmith be appointed Firemen to Engine No 2 vice George Lord & Saml Lord resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clk of the Police Office for his Services	$62 50/100
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[469] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 2d April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	} Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	} Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		George Lindsay	
John B Coles		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorne	

Purst to the Statute for regulating Elections the Bd proceeded to elect Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators & Members of Assembly & the follows Persons were duly elected vizt

1st Ward	2d Ward
Peter Jay Monro	Robert Lenox
Gerrit Keteltas	John Oothout
James Van Dyk	John P Pearss
3d Ward	**4th Ward**
John Titus	Jacob Abramse
Isaac Burr	Benjamin Haight
Samuel Burling	John Mills

5th Ward	6th Ward
John P Ritter	Anthony Steenback
William Newton	John Crolius Junr
Abraham Bloodgood	Henry Verveelen

7th Ward

Samuel Stilwell. Gilbert C Willet & Wm Johnson.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Peter Cole for lighting Lamps..... £94: 1:10

[470] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn	Assistts
John B Coles	William Bayard
Richard Furman	Nicholas Carmer
Jotham Post	Mangle Minthorn
Gabriel Furman	Thomas Storm
Jacob De La Montagnie	George Lindsay
John Bogert	Philip J Arcularius
Theophs Beekman	

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of Appointment having been pleased to reappoint James Morris Esqr Sherif and Charles Dickenson Coroner of this City & County and their Commissions being read they respectively took the Oaths of Office required by the Charter of this City.

The Sherif also presented his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was read & approved by the Board & filed

The Clerk presented to the Board the written proposals sealed from sundry Persons for Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries and the Board determined to accept of those of John Holdron for Paulus Hook & those of Zadock Hedden for Hoboock. Ordered that the Leases & Bonds be prepared accordingly

[471] The Report of the Committee on the subject of cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Filth & Dirt was again read & recommitted to Aldn Bogert & R Furman & Mr Arcularius.

A Petition of Peter Herenfrets relative to some Improvement to Water Street at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissr

A Request of the Managers of the State Road Lottery for the use of a Room in the City Hall to draw the Lottery & of the Wheels & Apparatus remaining of the former Lottery was read & granted.

A Request of John Merrit to sink a rain Water Cistern in front

of his House in Partition Street was read & rejected; unless he make it of Stone or Brick under the Direction of the Aldⁿ & Assistᵗ of the Ward.

A Request of Stilwell & Deforcest to take up the pavement of Pearl Sᵗ to repair a Drain was granted; on condition that they put the Street in the like order again under the Inspection of the Aldⁿ & Assistᵗ of the Ward.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay

issᵈ	John Furman for printing Weston's Report on supplyg the City with Water.....	£9: 3: 6
issᵈ	Stewart & Jones for Ship Chandlery on the Mud Drudge	£40: 18: 3

[472] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Richard Harison Esqʳ Recorder

John Bogert	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	William Bayard	Assistᵗˢ
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Nichˢ Carmer	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Thomas Storm	
Theophˢ Beekman			

Mʳ Mayor laid before the Board the new Map of the City made by Mʳ Mangin; which was committed to Aldⁿ R: Furman, G: Furman & DelaMontagnie to examine & to correct as to the Names of the Streets; & also to report a Mode for obtaining subscribers to the Work

Mʳ Mayor represented to the Board that Mʳ Mangin requested a further advance of Money: But as the state of his Accᵗ against the Board could not be immediately known Mʳ Mayor suggested the lending of him $200 on his Note payable in six Months; which was agreed to by the Board.

The following Report of the Committee on the subject of cleaning the Streets & removing Filth & Dirt was read and agreed to by the Board viz.

[473] Your Committee Appointed to Report a plan for Cleansing the Streets Collecting the filth and dirt of this City and Removing the same have duly Considered the Subject and are of Opinion

That the Corporation should take measures to Collect the Street

Dirt and Manure at their own expence and sell the same and for the greater Convenience of Carrying into effect such an Arrangement

That the City should be divided into three districts each to be Swept and the Dirt Removed twice a Week in daily Rotation and that the following Division will be found the most Convenient

1st District—Broadway and that part of the City laying to the Westward of it.

2d District—That part of the said City laying to the Southward of Broadway and to the Westward [of] Beekman Street through Pearl Street to Peck's Slip including the last mentioned three Streets or such parts of them as this Boundary passes through and the Street at the head of the Slip.

3d District—That part of the City laying to the Southward and Eastward of the other two Districts

That as many Carts as may be found necessary be hired to Remove the Dirt and Manure either to Vessels or to some place to be provided in or near to the City for the Temporary deposit of such parts as may not be taken away dailey by Vessels and as it may be expected at some Seasons of the year the Boats usually employed in Carrying Manure will be otherways engaged and at such times so much would be Collected in the said place of Deposit as to give uneasiness to them who may reside in the Neighbourhood.

They are therefore of Opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to buy two Pettit Augers to be employed Occasionally in Removing the Manure from the first place of Deposit to one more distant and when not engaged in doing this they may be employed in delivering Manure at such Landings as may Suit the Convenience of purchasers.

[474] That two Men with Carts and Bells be employed to go daily through the two Districts that are not Sweeping for the purpose of Collecting the Garbage and Offals from Yards and Kitchens for which purpose they should Ring the Bell at Suitable Distances to Notify the Inhabitants to bring out the same and put it into the Carts.

Your Committee further Report that two Street Commissioners should be appointed with an Annual Compensation whose duty it should be to Examine all Lots, Cellars, Sewers, Sinks and Yards and to Report from time to time such of them to the Corporation as in their Opinion should be filled up Altered or Cleansed and to Superintend and Carry into effect the foregoing regulations as well as all Bye Laws Relative to the same and Collect all Penalties incurred under them to hire a Superintendant and other necessary Persons for

Accomplishing the said Work to Sell the Manure and keep all the Accounts Relative to this Department and at least once a year make up the same and lay them before the Corporation and to Suggest any Improvement to this System that may to them seem proper.

New York 15th April 1799

Jn° B Coles
Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
Richd Furman
Wm Bayard
Philip J Arcularius

An Act of the Legislature investing this Board with certain Powers relative to the Health of this City; was also read And thereupon Aldn John Bogert was appointed an additional Street Commissioner And he together with Aldn Richard Furman the other Street Commissioner were appointed Inspectors under the said Act to inspect Lots [475] &c And to see to the due execution of all such Matters & Things as shall be required by any Law Ordinance or Order of this Board touching the cleansing of the City & promoting the Health thereof. And further they were respectively appointed Surveyors of this City And Mr Recorder was requested to prepare all such Ordinances as may be necessary relative to the several Objects of the said Act & the aforegoing Report of the Committee on the subject of cleansing the City.

And it was further ordered that the Drudge for cleaning out the Docks & Slips be put under the direction of the Street Commissrs to [be] employed from time to time in such places as they shall direct

On a complaint that a certain House in Gold Street, which was shut up & abandoned last Summer during the prevailing Sickness, had not been opened or aired since that time The Inspectors were directed to cause the said House to be opened & with the furniture therein to be aired & cleansed & the Board would indemnify them.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs take order for raising the Street under Catharine Slip Market

[476] Complaints against the sunken Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slips, the Slip at the foot of Liberty Street, and a Store House of Blaze Moore at the Old Slip, as nuisances, were referred to the Inspectors of Lots.

A Letter from Daniel Ludlow Presidt of a Company lately established by Law, called the Manhattans Company for the purpose of supplying this City with Water, together with a Copy of their Charter

were respectively read & the consideration of the Steps to be taken by this Bd thereon postponed 'till next Meeting

A Request of Wm Neilson to plant a Row of Forest Trees in front of his Lot at the upper end of the Broad Way adjoining the Sandy Hill & to erect a temporary Fence about eight Feet from his Line for their protection, was read & the Bd determined that the Measure would be bad in precedent & therefore the Request could not be granted: But that Mr Neilson might plant his Trees on the outer Edge of what will in time be the foot Walk of the Street & secure them with Boxes.

A Petition of Wm & Jacob Eames praying the preemption of a new Lease for a Lot of Ground in Augustus Street was read & referred to the Treasr to obtain and report a State of the Facts.

[477] An Application of Robert Watts to have the Boundary Line of his Water Lot adjoining the Fly Market Slip ascertained was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to public Pumps.....	£6: 7: 6
issd	The Inspectors of Lots &c on Acct.....	$1000

City of New York } ss: At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	George Lindsay
John B Coles	Nichs Carmer
Richard Furman	Thomas Storm
Jotham Post	Mangle Minthorn
Jacob De la Montagnie	William Bayard
Gabriel Furman	Anthony Brown
Thcophs Beekman	Philip J Arcularius

[478] The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Steps to be taken by this Board in respect to the subscribing the 2000 Shares in the Manhattan Company reserved by their Charter of Incorporation; And on the Question whether this Bd would subscribe the said Shares it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

Affirmative	Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn DeLaMontagnie
Aldn G Furman	Mr Arcularius
Aldn Post	Mr Storm
Aldn R Furman	Mr Brown
Aldn Beekman	Mr Minthorn
Aldn Coles	Mr Lindsay
Aldn Bogert	7 Mr Bayard
8 Mr Carmer	

Whereas by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed the 2d day of April Instant entitled "An Act for supplying the City of New York with pure & wholesome Water" it is among other Things enacted that it shall & may be lawful for the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to subscribe to the Stock of "the President & Directors of the Manhattan Company" any number of Shares not exceeding two thousand. And whereas this Board have as aforesaid resolved to subscribe to the said Stock two thousand Shares Therefore resolved that the Treasurer or Chamberlain [479] of this City be & he is hereby authorized & empowered for in the Name & on Account & behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York and their Successors to subscribe two thousand Shares to the said Stock as aforesaid and at the time of such subscription to pay to the said Company such Sum or Sums of Money on account of such Shares as may be required by the said Act & the Rules Orders & Regulations of the said Company.

Ordered that a Copy of this Resolution with the Common Seal affixed & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board be delivered to the Treasurer or Chamberlain.

Ordered that a loan be made of the Bank of New York for five thousand Dollars & that a Bond for the payment thereof with Interest at Six per Ct per Annum be made with the Common Seal affixed & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board.

On reading a Letter from Mr King Minister from the United States to Great Britain it appears that the Notes issued by this Board as small Change have been counterfeited in London.

Whereupon the Bd determined that the said Notes be immediately called out of circulation And that the [480] Treasurer pay for all such of them as shall be brought to him by the first day of June next And that the Clerk notify the Holders of those Notes by a publication in the News Papers accordingly.

A Memorial of Alexander Lamb Keeper of the Debtors Goal of

this City & County relative to the Expences of cleaning the Goal, emptying necessary Tubs &c was read & rejected

The Treasurer reported on the Petition of Wm & Jacob Eames relative to a Lot in Augustus Street; which was read & the consideration thereof postponed

A Representation of the Company of fire Engine No 1 as to its worn out State was read & referred to the Chief Engineer

An Acct of Henry Dawson for Repairs to the Ferry House at Brooklyn; was read & referred to the Committee of Accts

Ordered that Aldn Coles & De la Montagnie & Mr Lindsay be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report the necessary Improvement to the System of extinguishing Fires.

Ordered that Joseph Mott be appointed a weigher of Hay in the Township of Harlem and that he may erect *erect* a Scale for the weighing of Hay to be consumed in the said Township only & to take the usual Fees.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	[481] Aldn John Bogert to pay Joseph Baker for a Rope used & destroyed at the late Fire between Cortlandt & Dey's Slips.....	$4
issd	William Weston for his Services & Expences in surveying & reports on supplys the City with Water.....	$799 67/100
issd	Joseph Newton for removing & putting up the Portraits in the City Hall.....	$58 19/100
issd	Thos Jenkins & Sons for lamp Oil.....	$842 45/100
issd	John Provo for cleans Wells 6th Wd.....	£6: 4: 2
issd	The same for the like 4th Wd.....	£24: 5: 6

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert John B Coles Jacob DeLaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm William Bayard Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius	Assists

Wm Hunter an Assessor for the Bowery Division of the 7th Ward attended & took the Oath of an Assessor.

Ordered that such other of the Assessors as have not yet been sworn be notified to attend for that purpose on Monday next.

[482] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances for the good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained to be and continue in force for one Year viz[t]

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving & keeping in Repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York"

[483] "A Law to regulate the sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale and cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the Rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to prevent the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the limits & jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Horses, to prevent their running loose in the Streets and to prevent racing in the Streets or High Ways in the City of New York"

[484] On Motion of Aldn Coles.

Resolved that it shall be the Duty of the Street Commissioners to take Charge of all the Real Estate & other Rights belonging to this Corporation from which any Revenue is or may be drawn for the purpose of improving the same and encreasing the Revenue thereof And that in order to promote this object it shall be the Duty of the Commissioners in convenient Time to furnish this Board with an accurate List of all such Real Estate & other Rights together with the amount of Revenue at present arising therefrom.

Ordered that Aldn Post & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius be a Committee to take charge of Belle Vue House & Land and to direct such Things to be done for its preservation as they shall judge necessary.

A Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip was read & the consideration postponed.

A Petition for paving South Street from the Exchange to Coenties Slip was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

A Petition of John Cayler the Tenant in possession under a Lease of David Provoost of a certain Lot of Ground adjoining the new Alms House which this Corporation lately recovered on a [485] Writ of Right praying some Relief against the loss of his Improvements was read & the Board determined to give him until the first day of July next to remove his Improvements on his immediately entering into Bond in $1000 to surrender the Possession of the said Lot by that Day

The Inspectors of Lots presented the follows Report vizt

"That they have examined the Lots complained of in the Petition of Isaac Burr & others and find that some of the Proprietors have complied with the order of the Corporation of last Year by compleating the Bulkhead to the extent of South Street and are now willing (and some of them actually engaged) to fill up their respective Lots provided those who have paid no regard to the former order be compelled to fill in with them. Your Inspectors are therefore of Opinion that Ordinances should immediately pass compelling Thomas Ten Eyck, Mary Brown, John Suydam, John Jones & John Jacob Astor to compleat the Bulkhead to the Extent of South Street and also to compel Saltus Son & Co Isaac Burr, Charles J Richardson, Andrew Ten Eyck, Peter Dustan, James Bailey, Robert M'Cullum & James R. Smith to fill up their Lots under the penalty of One hundred Dollars

each by the first day of Sept[r] next with this [486] further condition If they do not commence filling in one Month from the Date of the Ordinance. That the Corporation will Immediately complete the Work at the Expence of the proprietors according to Law. Your Inspectors are well aware the time mentioned is too short for the final completion of the work but are satisfied so much of it may be done in the time as to prevent any further cause of Complaint

They have taken the Petition of Anthony Post and others relative to filling in the Slip at the foot of Liberty Street into Consideration and are of the Opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted and an Ordinance be passed for carrying the same into effect

They further Report they have examined the Store complained of in the Petition of John Sulivan and others and have taken the necessary measures for removing the Cause of Complaint

Your Inspectors beg leave to mention that in their Opinion the Corporation ought to take Immediate measures for filling up the Lot belonging to the Estate of Peter Cuyler. and that the most proper mode to carry this Object into effect would be to appoint a Committee with powers to contract with some suitable person for the purpose

Your Inspectors beg leave further to represent the Slip at the foot of Roosevelt Street as being in a filthy and unwholesome Situation. they have been Witnesses to its running bare at low tides for a considerable distance and are well Assured it is the Receptacle for almost all the filth of the Neighbourhood they would therefore recommend the filling up the said Slip without Delay"

Ordered that the Alderman & Assistant of the 2[d] Ward enquire into the Circumstances of the said Lot of Peter Cuyler & report to the Board what is proper to be done with respect to the said Lot

[487] Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 4[th] Ward take order for filling up the said Slip at the end of Liberty Street as mentioned in the said Report And that the Street Commissioners do the like with respect to the Water Lot at the end of Roosevelt Street.

An Ordinance was passed by the Board for compelling Thomas Ten Eyck, Mary Brown John Suydam, John Jones and John Jacob Astor to compleat the Wharf in front of their respective Lots to the extent of South Street and also to compel Saltus Son & C[o] Isaac Burr, Charles J Richardson, Andrew Ten Eyck, Peter Dustan James Bailey, Robert M[c]Cullam and James R Smith to fill up their respective Water Lots by the first day of Sept[r] next under the penalty of one hundred Dollars each and further that if they do not commence the Work within one Month from the date of the Ordinance this Board will

cause the Work to be done at the expence of the Proprietors according to Law

[488] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Theophs Beekman Esqr one of the Police Justices for his Allowance	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie one other of the said Justices for the like	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis their Clerk	$62 50/100
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 6th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn	Assistts
Jotham Post	Philip J Arcularius
Gabriel Furman	George Lindsay
John Bogert	Nichs Carmer
Theophs Beekman	Anthony Brown
Richard Furman	Thomas Storm
John B Coles	Mangle Minthorn

Mr Recorder & the Members having Inspected the State and Condition of the several Wards of the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that [489] they had examined the Accts of the Commissrs as to their Receipts and Expenditures and compared them with the Vouchers & found them Right.

The Expenditures of the Alms House for the last Quarter amounting to	£2414: 13: 3½
& those of the Bridewell to	899: 18: 4½

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Qr was read & approved by the Board vizt

For the Alms House	£3500: —: —
For the Bridewell	£1000: —: —

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrt on the Treasr for issd paymt thereof

John H Sickels & Andrew McGown Assessors appeared & took the Oaths as prescribed by the Charter

Edmund Seaman & Anthony L Bleecker elected Assessors for the 2d Ward appeared & signified to the Board their refusal to execute the Office Whereupon an Election was ordered to be held at the City Hall on Monday next of two Assessors in their stead.

The Street Commissioners reported in favor of the Petition read at the last Meeting for paving South Street from Coenties Slip to the Exchange Slip And an Ordinance was passed accordingly.

[490] Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treas[r] to pay

issd	The Justices of the £10 Court	$456
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£93: 7: 2
issd	Menasseh Salter for a Carpet in the Ct Chancery Room	£11: 7: 2
issd	Richard Furman for 1 Year Salary as St Commissioner	$500
issd	Archd Dunlap for repairs Wells & Pumps in 1st 2d & 3d Wards	£32: 18: 7
issd	The Clerks at the late Election of Senators & Members of Assemy	$112

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles
John Bogert
Jotham Post
Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
} Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer
Anthony Brown
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
George Lindsay
} Assistts

Charles Loss having been duly naturalized as a Citizen of the United States Ordered that a Warrant appointing him a Surveyor of this City be made out agreable to the Order of the 5th Novr last

The Legislature having by an Act passed at their last Session among other Things enacted that it should be lawful for this Board to borrow on the credit of this State a Sum not exceeding forty five [491] thousand Dollars to be applied towards discharging the Expence incurred in relieving the Distresses of this City occasioned by the late Epidemic which prevailed here and that the Legislature would make Provision for the repayment of the Monies so to be borrowed; The Board determined that in pursuance of the said Act a loan be made of the Bank of New York for that Sum at an Interest of six per Cent per annum And a Bond from this Corporation to the President Directors & Company of the Bank of New York with a Condition that if the Legislature should provide for the repayment of the said Monies with Interest as aforesaid then the Obligation of the said Bond to be void else to remain in full force, was read & approved by

the Board And the Common Seal was affixed thereto & Mr Mayor was requested to sign it on behalf of the Board.

iss[d] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay the Administrator of Effie Davis the Sum of £39:19:8 being Monies found with her at her decease in the Alms House.

A proposal of Peter Porter to raise & remove two sunken Hulks at the Corporation Wharf was read & referred to the Street Commissioners to take order thereon.

[492] A Petition of Robert Gilchrist was read praying Compensation for the Ground of the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt dec[d] taken for the public Use by the Alteration of Greenwich Street immediately after the late War was read & the Board determined that they would consent to the appointment of one Person on their part another on the part of the Petitioner & a third to be chosen by the two to enquire into the subject & to report to the Board

The following Letter from a Committee of the Manhattan Company was read viz[t] "Sir. The Manhattan Company on the 6[th] Instant passed the following Resolution. "Resolved that Samuel Osgood John B Coles and John Stevens be a Committee to treat for any Ground in the vicinity of the City suitable for a Well & Reservoir and Report to the Board at their next Meeting."

Conformably to the above Resolution the Committee request Information from the Corporation of the City of New York respecting Lands formerly occupied by Mr Christopher Colles for a Well & Reservoir which they are informed belong to the Corporation.

First. Whether they are willing to sell the same to the Manhattan Company & the value they put them at

second. Whether the Corporation may prefer leasing them forever: If so at what rate by the Year for a Lot of one hundred by twenty five feet

[493] Thirdly. Whether the Corporation will permit the Manhattan Company to occupy the Grounds aforesaid until it shall be ascertained whether the Waters are pure and wholesome and also adequate to the supplying of the City and if a failure should be found in either Respect, then to give up the Grounds leaving them in the state they fiind them, otherwise, then to enter into a Treaty with the Corporation for those Grounds.

We request you Sir to lay this Letter before the Corporation of the City of New York & we have appointed Mr John B Coles on our

behalf to receive such Answer as they may be pleased to communicate to him.

New York 10th May 1799 We have the honor to be with great Respect Sir Your most humble Servt

Richard Varick Esqr

Samuel Osgood
John B Coles.

Whereupon the Board proceeded to the Consideration of the said Letter And with respect to the first & second Questions they were postponed for further consideration

The third & last Question as to the occupying of the Grounds for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity & quality of the Water the Board assent to And the Street Commissioners with Aldn DelaMontagnie were appointed to examine and report to the Board the Bounds State & quantity of the Ground.

[494] On Motion of Aldn DeLaMontagne Ordered that the Clerk return a List of Measurers of Grain &c & Inspectors of Fire Wood.

Abraham Brinckerhoff & John Jones elected Assessors for the second Ward, at the Election ordered at the last Meeting in the stead of Edmund Seaman & Anthony L Bleecker who refused to serve & Moses Rogers elected at the late annual Election Assessor for the third Ward attended & took the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip & on the Question for granting the Prayer of the said Petition it passed in the Negative in manner following vizt

Affirmative	Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn G Furman
Aldn Coles	Aldn Post
Aldn DeLaMontagnie	Mr Brown
Aldn Bogert	Mr Arcularius
	Mr Carmer
	Mr Storm
	Mr Minthorn
	Mr Lindsay

Ordered that the Street Commissioners do as possible employ the Mud Drudge in cleaning out the said Slip to a proper Depth of Water.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

Engine No 11 David Cargill 2d Ward Grocer vice Joseph George resigned.

Abraham Van Nest 2d Ward Sadler vice Francis Manny resigned.

Abraham Martlings 1st Wd Cooper vice Joseph Williams removed into the Country.

[495] Richard Cottrell 1st Wd Cooper vice Francis Cooper resigned.

& William Lake 2d Wd Cordwainer vice John Annely resigned..

Engine N° 20 Joseph Thompson 3d Wd Grocer vice Nathl Woodward resigned

Engine N° 24 William Donaldson 4th Ward Coachmaker vice Wm Rollinson resign'd

Engine N° 13 John Barre 3d Wd Grocer vice John Alstyn removed into Country.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Charles Dickenson for Coroners Inquests on dead Bodies	£30: 6:—
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£129: 7: 6
issd	Willson Rawson for the like	$1800
issd	David Marshall for superintendg the City burying Gd	£23: 2:—
issd	Henry White as Clk of Election for 2 Assessors 2d Ward	£0:16:—
issd	Nicholas Carmer for Repairs & Improvemts at the Alms House	£569:15: 9
issd	The same for the like at Bridwell	£79: 9: 6
issd	The same for the like at the Gaol	£57: 3:10¼
issd	The same for the like & superintending the Enclosure in front of the Bridewell &c	£81:18:—
issd	The same for the like to & workg the Mud Drudge in cleang Slips	£165:15: 1
issd	The same for a Fence & plantg Trees at the City burygd Ground	£98: 7: 2
issd	The same for Repairs to City Hall	£108:17: 6
issd	The same for a new Well & Pump near the Goal	£168:13: 6
issd	[496] The same for Repairs to the Ferry Stairs at Brooklyn	£77:14: 2
issd	The same for Stone on the Outside of the Battery	£169:—:—
issd	The same for Repairs to Streets	£133: 5:11
issd	The same for a fire Engine Hs & 2 Watchmens Boxes	£24: 5: 3
issd	The same for Repairs to public Docks & Slips	£7:16: 6
issd	The same for Repairs at Belle Vue Hospital	£19: 2: 8
issd	The same for his Services in superintendg the above	£144:16:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie, Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius, William Bayard } Assistts

In pursuance of the Act of the Legislature for the Inspection of Sole Leather the Bd proceeded to the appointment of an Inspector & weigher of Sole Leather in this City in the place of Robert Towt deceased [497] And Peter McCartee was appointed accordingly.

The Clerk according to the order of the last Meeting presented a Return of public Measurers & also of the Inspectors of fire Wood & the following Persons appeared on enquiry to be living & in the exercise of those Offices vizt

	Abraham Van Gelder	Measurer of Lime	
	Gerard Bancker Junr	do	do
Lime	Jaspar Stanton	do	do
	William Heyer	do	do
	Uzziah Coddington	do	do
	Luke C Quick	Measurer of Grain	
	William Wamsley	do	do
	Daniel Van Antwerp	do	do
	William A Forbes	do	do
	Joseph Earle	do	do
	John D. Tier	do	do
	Daniel Lawrence	do	do
	John Latham	do	do
Grain	Andrew Hegeman	do	do
	Aaron Howell	do	do
	Jacob Mott	do	do
	Samuel Arnet	do	do
	William Ballard	do	do
	James Gibson	do	do
	William Terry	do	do
	John Wright	do	do
	Samuel Bleecker	do	do
	Patrick McGuire	do	do
	Thomas Bushfield	do	do
	Joseph Pearson	Measurer of Timber	
Timber	Thomas Ogilvie	do	do
	Lancaster Burling	do	do
	Elihu Marshall	do	do

[498] Inspectors of fire Wood.

East River	John Brogden	from White Hall to the Exchange Slip
	Joseph Devoe Isaac Chardavoine	at Coenties Slip
	William Allen	Coffee House Slip
	James Johnson	Burling & Beekmans Slips
	James Black Alexr Richie	Pecks Slip
	Peter King Henry Beekman Valentine Arnold	from James Slip to Rutgers Slip
Hudson River	Corns Voorhis	from Dennings Wharf Northward
	Thomas Eagles	from Dennings Wharf to the No side Corporation Wharf
	Henry Crum	from the Corporation Wharf to the Bason
	Martin Crygier	from the Bason to Bonsalls Wharf
	Magnus Garrit	from Bonsalls to Swartwoudts

Ordered that the Names of the above Measurers be published.

A Petition of Jona Pearssee & Thomas Ash Lessees of the public Slips & Wharfs last Year stating certain Losses in the collection of Fees for Wharfage & Slippage by reason of the Epidemic which prevailed last Year & praying that the amount of those Losses agreable to an account thereof accompanying their Petition may be allowed & passed to their credit in their settlemt [499] with the Treasurer; was read & rejected At the same [time] the Board consent that they may use the name of the Corporation in any suit they may commence for the recovery of the Monies due to them for Fees as aforesaid provided this Board stand indemnified against any Costs which may accrue

Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for the Erection of a fire Engine House on the Alms House Yard for the two Engines imported from Hamburgh

On reading a Request of Robt Bowne on behalf of the Society of People called Quakers they may be permitted to strew Tanners Bark in the Street in front of their Meeting House to prevent interruption from the Noise of passing Carriages during their approaching General Meeting; to be removed & the Street cleaned immediately after the Meeting ends.

On reading a Representation of the Treasr as to the delinquency of some of the Assessors the Board direct that he take such Measures on the subject as the Law directs.

A Petition of Gerard^{s} Deforest proposing to remove the landing Place of Hoboock Ferry to Harrison Street where he will undertake to make a Slip or Bason for the Ferry Boats. was read & rejected.

A Petition for regulating & digging out Catharine Street in the 6th Ward was read & referred to the S^{t} Commiss^{rs}

[500] The Board conceiving the taking down of the Corner House at the City Hall inexpedient at present direct that the Treas^{r} let 'till the first of May next

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots an Ordinance was passed for filling up with wholesome Earth certain sunken Lots in the sixth Ward bounded on Barley Street, Hudson Street & Chapel Street, by 1st July next

And for paving the East side of Chatham Street from James Street to Cath^{n} Street And for raising the Wharf & paving the East side of Pecks Slip.

Ordered that John M Riker Taylor be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 8 vice Ab^{m} Chadwick resigned

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Rob^{t} Gentle for 1 lost fire Buckets.....	$2
iss^{d}	The Commiss^{rs} of Streets on Acc^{t}.....	$1000
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for one Q^{r} Salary & disbursem^{ts}.....	£20:12:—
iss^{d}	David King for necessaries furnished by order of Com^{n} Council	£3: 9:—
iss^{d}	James Woods for Repairs to Lamps.....	£18: 3: 3

[501] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday May 27th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

John Bogert Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John B Coles Richard Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Thomas Storm George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown	Assist^{ts}

A Petition of Isaac Van Vleck in behalf of himself & Samuel Breese & Daniel Denniston surviving Trustees named in a certain Partition Deed made between them & others of a certain Piece of Land lying near the Kalkhook in the sixth Ward was read setting forth that in consequence of an Agreem^{t} between this Board & the said Trustees the conveyances from them & the Tenants lately in possession of the Triangular Piece of Ground adjoining the northerly side

of the Alms House Yard are now ready for delivery to this Board in exchange for other Lands; suggesting, if it be deemed proper by this [502] Board that the Conveyance for the Lots to be given in exchange may be made solely to him in Trust for all those interested as he is the acting Trustee & the others residing out of Town; And praying the Board to make such Order in the Premisses as shall be deemed requisite.

Ordered that the Release from this Bd be prepared & reported to the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Mary Van Bremen the Interest due on the $150 deposited by Wm Harrison the reputed father of a Bastard Child of Elenor Van Bremen the Daughter of the said Mary Van Bremen

issd

A Representation of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell relative to a Store House for the use of those Insti[tu]tions was read & referred to Aldn G Furman to report a Plan with Estimate of the Expence.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of each Ward take Order for the obtaining new Lists of Jurors by the 20th June and that the Clerk provide the necessary Books.

Ordered that Harry Poody, a black Man, be permitted to use the vacant Piece of Ground, lying between the Piece of the Common Lands in his Occupation & the Lands of the Dove Tavern near the five Mile Stone, from Year to Year during the pleasure of the Board on his paying therefor at the rate of Ten Dollars per annum.

[503] Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for enclosing the old Potters field burying Ground.

Samuel Burling elected at the late annual Election Assessor for the 3d Ward attended & took the Affirmation by the Charter required.

A Petition for regulating & paving Henry Street from George Street to Charlotte Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

On a Representation of the Street Commissrs & Inspectors of Lots relative to the sunken State of part of first & Grand Streets An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners of the Lots fronting thereon to raise those Streets by the 15th June next under a Penalty of $25 each Lot

A Petition of Zadock Hedden as to the Interruption to the landing of the Hoboock Ferry Boats by Vessels lying at the Stairs was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared requiring the Proprietors of Lots when the Timber which supports the front of the side Walks of the Streets shall be decayed and require to be repaired that Stone be substituted in the place of Wood.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	John Ashfied, John Arden & John B Pots each $2 for a lost fire Bucket each	$6.
issd	Goodeve & Brown fo[r] a Box Candles	£3: 1: 6
issd	[504] Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office for 1 Mth Services	$62 50/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert Richard Furman Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer George Lindsay Mangel Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm

Assistts

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots &c Ordinances were passed for raising the Cellars of certain Houses in Roosevelt & Rutgers Street in the 5th Wd And certain sunken Lots in the 6th Ward

A Law was also passed for substituting Stone in place of Wood in front of the foot or side Walks of the Streets.

A Petition of Samuel Richards for Relief on a Suit commenced against him on the Law for regulating the Building of Houses to prevent fires was read and rejected.

Petitions of George Lewis, Alexr Dunlap & John Grant for an extention of their Grants into the East River were read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[505] An Estimate for the paving of the East side of Pecks Slip was read & ratified by the Board And Thomas J Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Street.

Ordered that Esther Gomez be permitted to take up the Street to repair a Drain from the Cellar under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

The follow^{g} Regulations of Streets as reported by the Street Commissioners were read & approved by the Board viz.

S^{o} Street.

Regulation of South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip.

"At the midway between the two Slips it must be raised 2 feet 10 Inches & at the Corner at Coenties Slip 5 Inches above the foot Walk which leaves a Descent from the middle of the Block towards each Slip of 2 Inches on 10 feet."

Regulation Of Church Street from Barley S^{t} to the intersection of Catharine Street.

"From the Pavement at Barley Street to Thomas Street with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet. In consequence at the extent of 125 feet it must be raised 6 Inches At the intersection of Thomas Street 2 feet 2 Inches Thence with a descent of 2 Inches on 10 feet to the extent of 125 feet it requires raising 1 foot And at the intersection of Catharine Street it requires digging 2 feet 5 Inches"

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men.

Engine N^{o} 10	Samuel Winship	Butcher	7th W^{d}
	John Fitzgerald	d^{o}	d^{o}
	William Kline	d^{o}	d^{o}
	John Winship	d^{o}	d^{o}
	Lancaster Palmer	Grocer	d^{o}
	Jonan Pinckney	d^{o}	d^{o}
vice	John Coutant	dec^{d}	
	Jacob Blanck	removed from the City	
	Aaron Place	d^{o}	
	James Ryckman	resigned	
	Hazael Meyers	removed	
	Matthias Goodman	displaced	

[506] Engine N^{o} 13 John Fitzpatrick vice Samuel Brewster resigned

N^{o} 17 Henry Thorn Boat builder vice W^{m} Fosbrook resigned.

N^{o} 13 John Hitchcock 3^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice Gilbert Woodhull dec^{d}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$800
iss^{d}	Tho^{s} Collister 1 lost fire Bucket	$2
iss^{d}	Benja Romaine for 2 d^{o}	$4
iss^{d}	George Furman for repair^{g} Lamps	£25: 8: 9
iss^{d}	John Furman for print^{g} Bye Laws	$55^{13}/$_{90}$
iss^{d}	Peter A Messier for ruled Books to take new List of Jurors	£1: 16: —
iss^{d}	Peter Cole for light^{g} Lamps	£99: 14: 2

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 12th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, John B Coles

Assistts: William Bayard, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm, Philip J Arcularius

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the second payment on the Shares subscribed by order of this Board to the Manhattan Company.

Also that he pay off the Bond from this Bd to Frederick Van Cortlandt

A Petition of Abm Bodoin complains of an offensive Privy on an adjoining Lot belonging to the [507] Estate of Thomas Jones decd was read & referred to the Inspectors of Lots under the Health Law.

An Acct of the Commissrs of the Alms House stating the Expence of supporting two Negro's formerly belonging to Wm Axtell decd whose Estate was confiscated. was read & referred to Mr Recorder to examine the Law on that subject.

A Request of David Ross, Tenant for Repair to Brooklyn Ferry House was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs.

Ordered that Aldn Post & De La Montagnie & Mr Bayard be a Committee to devise & report a more œconomical System for repairing the public Wells & Pumps.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take Charge of the Bowling Green in front of the Govt House to keep it in order & to cut the Grass for the public Horses.

Ordered that the St Commissioners report to the Board the most proper manner of disposing of the Soil between high and low Water Mark in Hudson River at Greenwich

Mr Mayor communicated to the Board a Letter from the Committee of the Manhattan Company to him in which they signify that they will want a Part of the enclosed Ground in front of the Bridewell to raise a Reservoir for supplying the City with Water Whereupon Aldn Post & De La Montagnie & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee for conference on the subject & to report the Result to the Board.

Ordered that David Angevine 5th Wd Grocer be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compy No 2 vice Daniel Halsted removed

And Daniel Dominick 5th Wd Carpenter to Engine No 17 vice Obadiah Helms.

[508] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct.....	$500
issd	John Provo for cleang Wells in the 4 & 5th Wards.....	£35:15: 8
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Marshall Jenkins for lamp Oil.....	£90: 1: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown George Lindsay Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Thomas Storm	Assistts

An Estimates & Assessments for paving South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip and Pearl Street from Rutgers Street to Van De Water Street were respectively read & ratified by the Board And George Gosman was appointed to collect the Monies on that for South Street & to pave the said Street And John Cheesman to collect the Monies on that for Pearl Street and to pave the said Street.

A Petition of Gerrit Van Wagenen to sing anothe[r] Well in Beekman Slip Street and to lay a Drain [509] to lead the Bye Water from his Cellar was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Request of Abm Bloodgood to take up Franckfort Street to lay a Drain from his Cellar to the Common Sewer was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Mr Mayor informed the Board that some time ago an insane Man by the name of Thomas White Garrigues had left in his Office 32 black felt Hats, a Red embroidered Saddle Housing & two Hair Braids, and requested the Board to direct some disposition of those Articles And it was ordered that the Treasurer sell them & deposit the Money in the Treasury

Ordered that Robert Perine of the 1st Wd Grocer be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice John Grainger resigned

and W^m Creed 3^d Ward Grocer to Engine N^o 13 vice George Seal removed.

The Inspectors of Lots &^c reported that the Cellars of certain Houses in Pearl, Chesnut James & Roosevelt Streets in the 5^th Ward required raising to prevent the Water remaining therein stagnant & recommended the passing of An Ordinance for raising them with wholesome Earth by the 1^st July next. Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board for that purpose accordingly.

They further reported that part of Bancker Street between Chesnut & Roosevelt Street was in a filthy Condition to remedy which they recommended a Gutter to be laid between the two Streets and the paving of the intersection of Bancker and Rutgers Streets Whereupon the B^d direct the Inspectors to cause it to be done at the public Expence [510] and they further reported that they had inspected the digging out of the Broad Way Barley & Ann Streets and that in their Opinion Philip Ruckle had executed that Work agreable to his Contract with this Board and therefore recommend that his Bond be delivered up to him

Ordered that the said Bond be delivered up accordingly.

Ordered that the Street Commiss^rs take order for the paving of Tryon Row Street.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay

iss^d	Charles Loss Surveyor on Acc^t	$50
iss^d	Joshua Pell for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4
iss^d	Henry Post for 1 d^o	$2
iss^d	John Provo for cleaning Wells 7^th Ward	£6:17: 4
iss^d	Arthur Smith for repairs to Wells 6^th W^d	£5:13: 6
iss^d	Commiss^rs of Roads for expences on viewing the Roads	£5: 7: 6
iss^d	Henry Verveelen for the paving of East Chambers Street	£154:18: 6

[511] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24^th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor

Jotham Post	Esq^rs Ald^n	Nicholas Carmer
Gabriel Furman		William Bayard
Jacob De LaMontagnie		George Lindsay
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius
Theoph^s Beekman		Mangle Minthorne
John B Coles		Thomas Storm

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Application of Abijah Hammond read on the 13^th May last: in which he proposes to convey to this Corporation parcel of his Land on the Bank of Hudson

River at Greenwich for a public Market place and for Streets on Condition that this Board will grant him the soil between high & low Water Mark and also the Right of a Ferry there for thirty Years or such Term as to the Board may seem fit. Whereupon the Board determined that Mr Hammonds proposal could not be acceded to at present But that he might be permitted to erect a Wharf into the River in front of Hammonds Street as a landing place for the accommodation of himself and the public.

A Representation of the Sherif relative to certain Repairs required to the Debtors Goal; was read & referred to the Committee for Repairs to take order.

Ordered that Thomas Hutchins be permitted to sell Coffee at the Hudson Market

[512] On a Suggestion that much of the fire Wood brought to this City for sale is deficient in length and that the Inspectors are not sufficiently vigilent in the execution of the Law on that subject.

Ordered that an extract of that part of the Law be republished with a notification to the Inspectors that unless they do their Duty and cause the Law to be strictly enforced they will be removed from Office.

On reading a Petition of James Amory for relief on a Suit brought against him on the Law for regulating Buildings & to prevent Fires was read; And it appearing that he had taken down the Building complained of & erected another in it's place agreable to Law, The Board direct that on his paying the Prosecutors half of the Penalty with the Costs accrued the Suit be discontinued And for the like Cause & on the like Terms the Board also direct the Suit against Samuel Richards to be discontinued

The Inspectors of Lots reported that the Cellars of certain Houses in Moore Street were in a wet & filthy situation & required raising with wholesome Earth Whereupon an Ordinance for the purpose was passed accordingly.

A Petition for the sinking of a Well in Cathn Street was read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

And a Petition for the like in the Broad Way above the Hospital was referred to the Street Commissioners.

[513] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee appointed to consider and report what will be a proper Compensation to the Recorder of this City for Services performed & hereafter to be performed Report that they are of Opinion in

case the Recorder give Council to the Corporation on all legal Questions in which their Interest may be affected & investigate & state the Facts which may be requisite for the purpose. That he commence prosecute & defend all Suits in which the Corporation may be concerned without any Charge (except for disbursements) and report a State of the Case thereof to the Board if required: And that he examine and correct all Contracts & Grants made by the Corporation And prepare all such Bye Laws and correct the old ones when it shall be deemed necessary with all such Laws as the Board may apply for to the Legislature the same to be engrossed & copied by the Clerk as heretofore; That as a consideration for such Services he be allowed five hundred Dollars per Annum commencing the first day of Sept[r] last

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
John B Coles

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on Acc[t]	$700
iss[d]	Ald[n] Coles towards filling a Water Lot of the Estate of Henry Cuyler dec[d]	$300
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[514] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of July 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Theoph[s] Beekman John Bogert Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn William Bayard Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assist[ts]

A Plan of Timothy Hurst to prevent the noxtious Effluvia from the Common Sewers was presented to the Board & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that the Street Commissioners take order for removing the Building from the Lot at the East End of the Alms House lately recovered of ..... Provoost

On a Report of the Inspectors of Lots &[c] Ordinances were passed.

For raising certain Lots in the sixth Ward and certain Cellars in Ferry Street Rutgers Street & a Lot in Stone Street.

Also for raising the sunken part of Magazine Street And paving Birmingham Alley in the 7th Ward.

An Ordinance was also passed for continuing the Pavement of Chambers Street in front of the Alms House to Augustus Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts to pay

issd	Corns J Bogert for Costs in the Suit brought agt this Board for Gd of the Estate of Nichs Roosevelt decd taken to improve Greenwich Street.....	£31:18: 9
	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office.....	62\frac{50}{100}$

[515] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday July 8th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert Jacob De La Montagnie John B Coles Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer Anthony Brown George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius William Bayard	Assists

Mr Recorder signified to the Board his acceptance of the Allowance made to him for his Services agreable to the Report of the Committee read and agreed to by the Board at the last Meeting.

A Petition of Dr Nicholas Romaine relative to an intended improvement to his Wharf at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

The Board agree to accept Notes with approved Security payable in three payments vizt the 1st Augt 1st Septr & 1st Octr from Martin Morison Collector of the 7th Ward for the Monies which remain due of the Taxes in the said Ward.

Ordered that Robert Hurtin of the 4th Wd Printer be appointed a fireman to Engine No 24 vice Hugh McDougall resigned.

Aldn G Furman of the Committee appoin[ted] to cause a Survey to be made of the new Road laid out and continued from the [516] Road leading from the new Bridge over Harlem River, through the Lands of John P Waldron, Joseph Mott, Peter Benson Sampson Benson, Lawrence Benson & the Common Lands of the Township of Harlem, to a Station on the Post Road between the 6 & 7 Mile Stones so as to meet the new Road lately laid out and made, through the City Common Lands, called the middle

Road, presented to the Board a Map or Survey of the said first mentioned new Road; which was approved by the Board and filed in the Clerks Office And Aldn Furman further reported to the Board that due Notice had been given to the Proprietors of the Lands through which the said Road must pass, that the said Lands are required for the said Road and that on a proposition made to the said Proprietors with respect to the Recompence which ought to be made to them respectively for the said Lands required for the said Road they had refused to treat & agree for the same.

Whereupon it was ordered by the Board that Mr Mayor be requested to cause a Precept to be issued for summoning & returning a Jury to determine the Recompence due to the said Proprietors as by Law is directed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct	$500
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£95: 1:—
issd	Donaldson & Ferguson for Lamp Posts	£11: 1:—
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£264 :12: 6
issd	Joseph Tyler for a public Dinner on 4th July	£50:—:—
	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[517] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of July 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assistts
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman			
John B Coles			

Ordered that Mr Recorder proceed agt Frederick Rhinelander by Ejectment or otherwise for any Intrusion on the Right of this Corporation to the Soil in Hudson River.

On reading Petitions of Tamar OBrien & Peter V Tilyou for Relief agt Suits commenced under the Law for regulating Buildings the Board determine to relinquish the Moiety of the Penalty on the Buildings being taken down

Ordered that Frederick Wiessenfels & William Huttell be appointed Guagers of Liquors in this City.

Ordered that the Committee on the Subject with Mr Mangin obtain the engraving of the new Map, lately made of this City, by Mr Maverick or other competent Person on the best Terms they can.

[518] On reading a Memorial of Dr Nichs. Romain relative to the laying out the Streets at Corlaers Hook The Board determine & order that the East & West Streets on Rutger's Land be continued through the Lands to the Eastward to the East River or until they intersect Grand Street "That Scammel Street be encreased to the Breadth of "fifty feet*" And that Ferry Street be of the same breadth of And "that there be no other Street between Montgomery Street & Scam-"mel Street" nor between Scammel Street & Ferry Street.

A Petition for a Well in Broad Way near Leonard & Catharine Streets was read & granted on the usual Terms.

A Petition of David Crone to sink a Well in the Street to draw the Bye Water from his Cellar was read & rejected

Ordered that the Treasr negociate a Loan of the Manhattan Company for five thousand Dollars that a Bond from this Corporation with the Common Seal affixed be made out for the payment of the said Sum with Interest at six per Cent & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Daniel Huestis of the 6th Ward Grocer be appointed a fireman to Engine No 6 vice Isaac Hadley resigned

An Ordinance was passed for paving front Street from Pecks Slip to Waltons Alley.

[519] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$600
issd	Wm Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 4th July.....	£92:16:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for the ringing of the Bells on the 4th July	£7: 4:—
issd	Theophs Beekman for his Services as a Police Justice..	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie for the like.....	$187 50/100
issd	John Provo for cleang Wells in 6th & 7th Wards.....	£20:17:10

* Marginal note reads *50 feet; see Minutes on the 24th next.* This note is difficult of comprehension.—ED.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday July 20th 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Jotham Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, Gabriel Furman, Richard Furman, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn

Nichs Carmer, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius, William Bayard } Assistts

The following Admonition & Caution to the Inhabitants was proposed & presented to the Board by Mr Recorder which was read & agreed to And it was ordered that 2000 Copies be printed in Hand Bills to be distributed. vizt

[520] The Peace of the City having been disturbed for several Nights successively by Crouds of Apprentices and other disorderly Persons who have assembled in a tumultuous Manner with the avowed Intention of distroying a House at the South East Corner of Greenwich & Murray Streets; and it being represented to the Board that a number of peaceable & well disposed Citizens have joined those Crouds as Spectators only, from mere Motives of Curiosity; by which Means it has been rendered difficult for the Magistrates to disperse the Mob, or to distinguish the Guilty from the Innocent In order therefore to remedy these Evils all well disposed Citizens are admonished & cautioned not to be present at any such Assembly, unless they shall repair to the same for the purpose of repressing Disorder in aid of the civil Magistrates & under their direction.

All Persons who shall in future be found with those concerned in any Tumult will be apprehended as Parties to the same & prosecuted with the utmost Rigor that the Law will justify.

The Citizens are further cautioned to restrain their Children, Servants and Apprentices from such illegal Meetings; which have a direct tendancy to corrupt their Morals, endanger the public tranquility & bring the Laws & Government of their Country into Contempt

[521] Every prudent Citizen must be convinced that the Law is adequate to the punishment of all Offences, and that there is an End of public & private Security, when Redress is sought with Impunity in any other Mode

The Board returned Thanks to the Officers & Privates of the several Corps of Militia who have assisted or offered their Services in suppressing the late Riots & apprehending the Rioters. Their Zeal Activity & Perseverance reflect honor on themselves & afford a sure Pledge for the future preservation of the Peace of this City.

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of July 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard
Nicholas Carmer
Thomas Storm
Mangle Minthorn
George Lindsay
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A Petition of John Jacob Astor to erect a Building on the old Line of Liberty Street was read & the Board determined that the Prayer could not be granted.

[522] Petitions of Benjamin Taylor, Abiel Brown & George Lamplin for Relief on Suits brought against them for erecting Houses in violation of the Law for regulating Buildings, were read & the usual Relief was granted.

The Committee on the subject of Wells & Pumps reported to the Board that in their Opinion it would be adviseable, on the score of Œconomy, to appoint a proper Person to take charge of all the public Wells & Pumps in this City, subject to the direction & controul of the Persons annual[ly] appointed in each Ward according to Law; which was agreed to by the Board & the same Committee were directed to enquire for a suitable Person & report the same together with Instructions in respect to his Duty & a suitable Compensation

On reading a Report of the Street Comtee An Ordinance was passed for filling up & raising Magazine Street.

The Board consent that the Manhattan Company erect a Reservoir for supplying the City with Water on the No East Corner of the Alms House Yard.

Ordered that Robert Stanton Junr of the 5th Wd Ship Chandler be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 17th vice Peter R Kissam decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

An Ordinance was passed for filling up Magazine Street agreable to regulation.

[523] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of July 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Theophs Beekman
John B Coles
John Bogert
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
} Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard
George Lindsay
Mangle Minthorn
Anthony Brown
Philip Arcularius
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay John Thurman Exr of John Thurman decd £200: 10: 6 with Interest at five per Cent from the 3d day of Septr 1789 in full compensation for Ground taken into Greenwich Street agreable to the Award of the Commissioners made to the Common Council & entered on the Minutes on the 3d day of March 1789.

issd

A Petition of John Holdron relative to the bad Condition of the Ferry Stairs at Cortlandt Slip & of the great Interruption to the Ferry Boats by Vessels coming into & crouding the said Slip was read & that part respecting the Stairs was referred to the Street Commissrs with Mr Lindsay; And the Ordinance formerly passed for prohibiting any Vessels coming into the said Slip was reordained.

Ordered that the same Committee treat with Mr Ash the Lessee of the public Docks & Slips relative to their taking them for the ensuing Year

[524] A Petition of Isaac Clawson & Danl Ludlow for permission to erect a Lime House in front Street in front of their Lots whereon they intend to erect Houses & also to dig up the Ground to lay the Foundations was read & that part which respects the erecting of a Lime House was granted But the Board refused to grant permission to dig up or open any made or filled in Ground during the Season of Warm Weather

Petitions of James Connelly & Francis Barret for Relief on Suits commenced agt them on the Building Law were read & the usual Relief was granted.

On a Report of the Inspectors of Lots Ordinances under the Health Law were passed for filling up the Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slip.

& For filling up cleaning & paving Birmingham Alley in the 7th Ward

On a suggestion that great benefits might arise from a faithful Collection of Facts relative to the appearance & progress of the Fever with which this City is or may be afflicted during this Season The Board determined that a proper Person should be employed for that purpose with an Allowance of four Dollars per day for his Services And Dr Adolph C Lent was appointed accordingly.

[525] An Ordinance for digging out Cross Street from Mulberry Street to Mott Street was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct	$1000
issd	David Marshall for superintendg the City burying Ground	£22:—:—
issd	John Furman for printg Ordinances in Hand Bills	£8: 8:—
issd	Danl Forbes for liquor to the Artillyrists in quelling a Riot in the Night of the 18th Inst	£2:12:—
issd	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil	£405:12: 6
issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clk of Police Office	$62 50/100

City of New York } ss.

At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Augt 5th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie
Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Richard Furman
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown
George Lindsay
Nicholas Carmer
Thos Storm
} Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissrs [526] of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amountg to	£4186:13:—
Those of the Bridewell	£710:10:10½

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House	£3000:—:—
For the Bridewell	500:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for payment thereof accordingly

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Front Street from Pecks Slip to Waltons Alley was read & ratified by the Board & Abraham Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Street on his entering into Bond for the due execution of the Business, by the 15th Septr next.

A Petition of John Jones & Peter A Schenck for Relief on the Penalty of the Ordinance for filling in their Water Lots was read & postponed 'till next Meeting.

A Petition of Peter Lowry for Relief against a Suit on the Building Law was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 1st Ward.

A Petition for a Well at the Corner of Reade & Greenwich Streets was read & granted as usual

Ordered that Peter Dustan & Obadiah Helmes be appointed firemen to Engine No 9 vice Andrew Ten Eyck removed from the City and Andrew Morris resigned. and John Sayre 3d Wd Silver smith to Engine No 21 vice Francis Lynch resigned.

Ordered that Aldn R Furman & Coles & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius be a Committee to attend the Jury for valuing the Land taken for the new Road at Harlem.

[527] A Report of the Inspectors of Lots was read And Ordinances were passed for raising two Lots of Joseph Ross Junr in the 6th Ward

for filling up a Sink or Privy & cleansing & filling up under a Slaughter House on a Lot of Thomas Place

And for filling up a Sink or Privy on a Lot of Garrit Peterson in Chatham St

The Committee appointed to treat with the Lessee of the public Docks & Slips reported that Mr Ash the present Lessee was willing to continue for the ensuing Year at the rate of $10,000 per Annum.

Ordered that the Committee conclude the Bargain with him.

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a loan with the Bank of New York for $5000 at 6 per Ct Interest That a Bond for the same be made out with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	John N Johnson for removg a Pauper	£2: 15: 10
issd	Joseph Webb for glazing Lamps	£4: 19: —
issd	The Justices of the Justices Ct	$468

iss[d]	John Van Alst for repairg Pumps 5[th] W[d]	£6:16:10
iss[d]	Archibald Dunlap for the like 1[st] W[d]	£11:18: 6
iss[d]	The same for the like in 3[d] W[d]	£10:12: 3

[528] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 14[th] day of Aug[t] 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn
Rich[d] Furman		Anthony Brown
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Thomas Storm
Theoph[s] Beekman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Nich[s] Carmer
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius
Gabriel Furman		
John B Coles		

Assist[ts]

A certified Copy of the Proceedings of a Meeting of Persons chosen by the Freeholders of Bergen County, transmitted by Isaac Nicoll their Chairman, signifying their desire to confer with a Committee of this Board on the subject of the Rates of the Ferries across Hudson River; was read And Ald[n] G Furman, Bogert & Beekman were appointed a Committee to meet and confer with them accordingly.

A Request of Ahasuerus Turk to make a Vault in the Street in front of his new House in Broad Way was granted under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out Cross Street from Mulberry to Mott Street was ratified by the Board & Henry Hulsart & Thomas Stagg were appointed to collect the Monies & to dig out the said Street

[529] A Petition of Alex[r] Nicoll & W[m] Philips for Relief on a Suit brought against them on the building Law was read & granted on the usual Terms.

M[r] Recorder delivered a Report on the Acc[t] presented by the Commiss[rs] of the Alms House on the 12[th] June last for the Expences of supporting certain Slaves formerly the property of Persons whose Estates were confiscated; which was read & filed.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay or tender to the following Persons the following Sums of Monies assessed to them respectively by a Jury in the last Mayors [Court] in full for Damage & Recompence for their respective Lands required & taken for the New Road lately laid out at Harlem viz[t]

John P Waldron	$75
Joseph Mott	400

Peter Benson	$100
Sampson Benson	125
Lawrence Benson	100
Andrew McGown for the Trustees of the Township of Harlem	1
Total	$801

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Mr Mangin on Acct of his Contract for making a new Survey & Map of the City, taking his Note for the same	$500
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$1500
issd	Aldn Coles on Acct towards filling in a Water Lot of Henry Cuyler decd	$300

[530] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of August 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Jotham Post Richard Furman Jacob De La Montagnie Theophs Beekman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown William Bayard Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Petition for a new & enlarged Market at Catharine Slip was read & postponed

A Petition of George Shape Butcher to establish a Standing near the State Prison was read & rejected

A Petition of John Park for Relief agt a Suit on the Building Law was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that a Bond to the Manhattan Company be made out with the Common Seal affixed for $5000 with Interest at six per Ct and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

A Petition for paving Harman Street from Charlotte Street to Et Rutgers Street was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that John Sayre 3d Wd Silver Smith be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 21 vice Francis Lynch resigned.

[531] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The St Commissioners on Acct for filling lower end of Liberty St	$250
issd	Bogert & Co for Repairg Pumps in 4th & 6th Wards	£91:18: 8
issd	David Waldron for Repairg Roads	£187:17:—

issd	Stt Commissrs for Expences of Jury to value Lands for new Road at Harlem	£20:14:—
issd	Thomas Whytlaw for paving Tryon Row	£140:—:—
issd	Hopkins & Co for printg	$49
issd	Peter Cole for lightg Lamps	£93:19: 4
issd	John Smith for cleang Wells in 7th Wd	£5:11:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for Salary & Disbursts	£24:18: 6
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for extra Watchmen to quell a Riot	£13: 6: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£11:14:—
issd	Beekman & Gobel for the like	£7: 6:—

[532] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of August 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		William Bayard	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	

A Release of Dr Nichs Romaine of certain Streets passing through his Lands at Corlaers Hook in the 7th Ward was presented to the Board & read accepted & filed.

A Request of Jonas Weedon to make an Area in the Street in front of his House in Mulberry Street was read & granted.

The Street Commissrs reported that Harman Street from Charlotte Street to Et Rutgers Street ought to be paved agreable to the Petition of Stephen Bourdet & others.

That Greenwich Street from the present Pavement to Lispenards Brewery is in an irregular & impassable Condition & they recommend an Ordce for filling up the said Street to the Regulation.

And they also report that the usual Relief be granted to John Park agt a Suit on the Building Law all which was agreed to by the Board.

[533] Ordinances were then passed for raising & filling up Greenwich Street agreable to the said Report by the first day of October next And also for raising & filling with wholesome Earth to a proper heighth all the Lots between Water Street & front Street from the Old Slip to the Exchange Slip by the 1st day of December next

Ordered that the Street Commissrs take order for putting the Greenwich Road in front of Colo Burr's Land in order & for effectually clearing Greenwich Street of every incumbrance.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay.

issd The St Commissrs for paving Broad Way at the Alms House £30:12: 6

The Committee on the subject of Wells & Pumps reported that Mr Carmer signifies to them his willingness to undertake (in addition to the superintendance of Repairs to public Buildings, the working of the Mud Drudge in the Slips &c &c) the overseeing of the keeping in order the public Wells & Pumps agreable to the Report of the Committee on the 22d July last Whereupon Mr Carmer was appointed by the Board to manage & direct the keeping in order the public Wells & Pumps for three Months.

[534] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of Septr 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John Bogert Theophs Beekman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer George Lindsay Philip J Arcularius William Bayard Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm

Assistts

The Committee for the purpose appointed reported that they had made due enquiry into the Conduct of the Keeper of the Bridewell & had taken several Affidavits and Examinations relative thereto; On the reading of which it appears that Peter Cole the Keeper & John Michaels his Assistant have conducted the Business corruptly & negligently; which said Affidavits & Examinations were directed to be delivered to the Police Justices to be proceeded on according to Law.

Resolved that the said Peter Cole be removed from his said Office of the Keeper of the Bridewell in the City of New York And that Thomas Hazard be appointed in his stead.

Ordered that Mr Hazard give Bond in $1500 Dollars with one or more Sureties for the due execution of his Office.

[535] Ordered that Mr Hazard immediately take the Charge & Custody of the Bridewell And that Mr Cole do immediately deliver to him the same together with the Keys Prisoners & all the Furniture Utensils & Things thereunto appertaining And that Mr Hazard Pro-

cure a Calender of all the Prisoners with an Inventory of all the said Things and report the same to this Board without delay.

Ordered that the Committee heretofore appointed for the purpose be discharged And that Ald^{n} Coles & De La Montagnie & M^{r} Bayard be a Committee (with the Aid of M^{r} Recorder) to digest & report to the Board a more perfect System for the Government & management of the Alms House & Bridewell particularly as it respects the Mode & Manner of keeping the Accounts.

The follow^{g} Persons were appointed fire Men of this City to the two Engines imported from Hamburgh viz^{t}

Foreman	Abel W Hardenbrook.....	Tin Plate Worker
Assistant	William Janeway	Brewer
	Richard L Mott.....	
	Benjamin Carpenter	Carpenter
	Silvenus Pine	Merchant
	Samuel Hutchins	Grocer
	Richard Collis	Paper Manufactorer
	Jacob Smith	Turner
	Enoch Buxton	Shoe Maker
	Abraham Alstine	Cabinet Maker
	Jacob Shatzel	Grocer
	Christian Hyle	Joiner
	Peter Wooley	Shoe Maker
[536]	Harmanus Rutan	Porter
	John Cromwell	Grocer
	Levi Weeks	
	William Miller	Carpenter
	John M^{c}Kay	Painter
	Eli Knapp	Shoe Maker
	David Colon	Chair Maker
	Henry Seibe	Grocer
	Ezra Weeks	Carpenter
	Daniel Tylee	Coach Painter
	William Post	Cooper
	John M^{c}Comb	Mason
	Robert M Thompson.....	
	George Minuse	Joiner
	Tunis Riker	
	Joseph Cook	
	William Hardenbrook Jun^{r}...	Brass Founder

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Coles on Acc^{t} towards filling up a Water Lot of Henry Cuyler dec^{d}.....	$300
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Alexr Phœnix for expences in going to Harlem to pay or tender the Monies assessed by the Jury for the Land taken for the new Road.....	£3: 12: —
issd	Latham Buncker for lamp Oil.....	$720 94/100
issd	John Provo for cleang Well 4th Wd.....	£4: 10: 4

[537] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 9th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Anthony Brown Nichs Carmer Philip J Arcularius William Bayard	Assists

Ordered that the Treasr negociate loans with the Bank of New York for $5000 and with the Manhattan Company for $5000—that with the Bank of New York being to defray the public Expences of the City during the exhausted State of the Treasury until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected And that with the Manhattan Company to pay the installment due the 17th Instant on the Corporation Shares in the Company.

That two Bonds be made out for the said Sums at six per Ct Interest with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the Street Commissioners be appointed to aid the Health Commissioner during the prevailing Sickness to administer Relief to the indigent Sick and to open one of the Wards at Belle Vue Hospital for the Reception of the Sick until the further Order of the Board.

[538] Ordered that such Butchers as shall abandon their Stalls in the Markets on Acct of the prevailing Fever be permitted to sell Meat at their respective Houses in the out parts of the City or to erect Standings there Provided & on the express Condition that they keep an Acct of the Meats they kill & sell to be rendered on Oath to the Clerk of the Market and pay the Fees thereon accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct towards purchasing Fuel for the City Hall & Watch Hs.....	$400
issd	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles.....	£3: 16: 6

issd	Henry White for Copys & making Ballots of new List of Jurors	$60
issd	John Sticklen towds new Well in new St	$12
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	£3: 4: 3
issd	Bernd O Blenis Clk Police Office	$62 50/100
issd	Dr Adolph Lent for collects Facts as to the Yellow Fever	$72
issd	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps	£104: 6: 2

[539] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Septr 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
Richard Furman
Theophs Beekman

Philip J Arcularius
George Lindsay
Anthony Brown } Assists
Nichs Carmer

The Board proceeded to the appointment of Inspectors of the ensuing Election for Charter Officers & the following Persons were appointed & the follows Places assigned for holding the Elections vizt

1st Wd	Thomas Farmer	Trinity Church
2d	George Barnewall	City Hall
3d	James Van Antwerp	Abm Martling's House
4th	Jacob Abramse	St Pauls Church
5th	Francis Child	Francis Child's House
6th	Anthony Steenbeck	Bridewell
7th	Thomas White	Bulls Head Tavern

The Bd took into consideration the Salary of the Clerk of the Police Office & determined that it ought to be encreased to nine hundred Dollars per annum.

A Petition for paving Fayette Street was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Bogert & Co for Repairs to Pumps	£98: 13: —
issd	[540] James Culbertson for City Watch	£106: 13: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£101: 14: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£81: 18: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£76: 19: 6
issd	Fred: Wiessenfels for guaging Lamp Oil	$7 44/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 23d 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
Jacob De La Montagnie		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	

Ordered that the Members of the auditing Committee together with Aldn G. Furman & De La Montagnie be a Committee to examine & report on the Treasurers Accts

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th Septr 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown
Jacob De La Montagnie		Nichs Carmer
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn
Richard Furman		

[541] The Committee on the Treasurers Accounts reported as follows vizt

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[542] The Board then proceeded to the appointmt of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix Esqr was appointed accordingly And Mr Recorder informed the Board that Mr Mayor had signified that he had reappointed James Culbertson to the Office of High Constable of this City for the ensuing Year.

Ordered that the Street and Road Commissrs direct Mr Harsen the Road Master to commence working on the new Road lately laid out from the Post Road towards Coles's new Bridge at Harlem.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards relieving the indigent sick families	$500
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£123:14: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£123:14: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£96:15: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday Oct[r] 1[st] 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John B Coles
Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Jacob De La Montagnie
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Theoph[s] Beekman
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

George Lindsay
Nich[s] Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Election held in the several Wards of Charter Officers for the ensuing Year from which it appears that the following [543] Persons were duly elected: viz[t].

1[st] Ward	John B Coles	Alderman
	John Nitchie	Assistant
	John H Sickels, Andrew Morris	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, Thomas Martin	Constables
2[d] Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistant
	Daniel M[c]Cormick, John Jones	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Barnet Newkerck, Henry Burtsell	Constables
3[d] Ward	Selah Strong	Alderman
	Philip Brasher	Assistant
	John Bingham, Samuel Burling	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
4[th] Ward	John Bogert	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
	Thomas Stagg, William G Miller	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	John Rains, John Ackerman	Constables

	Jotham Post		Alderman
	Philip J Arcularius		Assistant
5th Ward	James Drake, William Rhinelander		Assessors
	David Harriot		Collector
	Samuel Montgomery, Joseph Dunkley		Constables
	Jacob De La Montagnie		Alderman
	John Crolius		Assistant
6th Ward	Peter Arell, Thomas Ogilvie		Assessors
	Anthony Brown		Collector
	John H Johnson, David C Demarest		Constables
[544]	Richard Furman		Alderman
	Mangle Minthorn		Assistant
	Samuel Stilwell, Robert McDermot	Bowery Division	Assessors
	Martin Morrison	Bowery Division	Collector
7th Ward	William Sloo, John McLaughlin	Bowery Division	Constables
	Valentine Nutter, John Adrianse	Harlem Division	Assessors
	Cornelius Harsen	Harlem Division	Collector
	Adolph Bussing, Blaze Moor	Harlem Division	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on the 14th Instant to take the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

The Treasurer laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined by the Recorder & Aldermen & found right and agreable to the Statute certified accordingly.

Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Loan Office Evert Bancker one of the Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers; And this Board having carefully inspected & examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed and required.

[545] The following Abstract of their Accounts were delivered to the Board. viz[t]

1799 Dr — Treasury of the State of New York in Acc[t] with the new Loan Officers of the County of New York for Interest by them rec[d] 1799 — Cr

June 26th	To Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Interest	£80:—:—	1799 May 7th By Interest due 1 Year on £19300 @ 6 p[r] C[t].....	£1158
Do	To Cash p[d] in Bank of New York as p[r] Receipt	1078:—:—	New York Sept[r] 30th 1799 Evert Bancker L Officer	
		£1158:—:—		

City and County of New York in Acc[t] with the Loan Officers of said County for Interest & Principal received by them 1799 by virtue of a Law passed the 18th April 1786.

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1799 Aug[t] 22d.	Interest	Principal
To the Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Int.....	£80:—:—	.....
To Cash p[d] in N Y. Bank for prin[l] & Interest.....	400: 5: 6	1040:—:—
To Ball[ce] principal remaing on Loan		8565:10:—
	£480: 5: 6	£9605:10:—

Cr

1798		Interest	Principal
Sept[r] 29th	By Ball[ce] remaining on Loan.....	.....	£9605:—:10
1799 June 18th	By 1 Year Interest on the Prin[l]...	£480: 5: 6	.....

[546] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 7th 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Mangle Minthorn	Assist[ts]
Richard Furman		Philip Arcularius	
Theoph[s] Beekman		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	

A Petition of George Buckmaster for Relief against a Suit brought on the Building Law was read & the usual Relief in such Cases was granted.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Jacob Harsen on Acct towards works the new Road to Harlem	$500
issd	The Police Justices on Acct towards Relief of indigt St Domingo families	$72
issd	Demarest & Co towards a new Well at the Corner of Reade & Greenwich Sts	$16
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 2d Wd	£38: 4: 3
issd	Adrian Bogert for the like in 5th Wd	£16: 8: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	£93: 2: 2
issd	Michl Brooks for glazing Lamps	£47: 1:—

[547] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Octr 14th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn
Richard Furman		Nicholas Carmer
Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie
Selah Strong		John Crolius
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Philip J Arcularius
		Philip Brasher
		Philip Ten Eyck

Assistts

Philip Ten Eyck Book Store Keeper & Stationer admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

The Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter of this City were administered to the following Officers elected at the late Election vizt

To the several Aldermen & Assistants above named (except Mr Ten Eyck who admitted to the Board that he was not a freeholder in the 2d Ward nor a freeman of this City at the time of his election & therefore not qualified to serve* To Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain, who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & ordered to be filed.

To the follows Assessors vizt

Thomas Stagg 4th Wd Wm Rhinelander 5th Wd & Thomas Ogilvie 6th Ward

And to the following Constables vizt

Philip Fulkerson	John Ackerman
Thomas Martin	Samuel Montgomery
Barnet Newkerk	Joseph Dunkley
Henry Burtsell	John N Johnson
Samuel Stockwell	David C Demarest
Robert Johnson	William Sloo
John Rains	John McLaughlin

* Marginal note reads *An Election was ordered to be held for an Assistant for the 2d Ward in his place and for 2. Assessors See P. 553. See Return p. 557*—Ed.

[548] Ordered that Aldⁿ Bogert & Furman be appointed to examine & audit the Accᵗˢ until a full Meeting of the Board and the standing Committee for that purpose be appointed.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Post & Messʳˢ Carmer & Crolius be a standing Committee for Lamps.

An application of John Town & Barent Deklyn relative to the establishment of a Ferry from the new Wharfs South & North of the State Prison to Hobooken was read & referred to Aldⁿ De La Montagnie Coles & Furman.

Mʳ Mayor presented to the Board a Warrᵗ which he had obtained from the Comptroller of the State on the State Treasurer to pay to this Corporation the Sum of Sixty thousand Dollars being the Monies by them borrowed last Year and advanced for the purpose of fortifying this City & Port and also the further Sum of three thousand eight hundred & four Dollars $^{78}/_{100}$ for the Interest thereof And the State Treasurer having drawn an Order on the Bank of New York to pay the said Monies to the order of this Board.

Ordered that an Order issue to the Cashier of the Bank of New York to pay the said Monies to Gabriel Furman Esqʳ to be by him paid in discharge of the Monies borrowed by this Board last Year & advanced for the purposes of fortifying this City as aforsd that the Common Seal be affixed to & that Mʳ Mayor subscribe the said Order

[549] Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	George Furman for glazing Lamps	£22: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£96: 15: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96: 15: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£123: 14: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£123: 14: 6
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police	$115^{18}/_{100}$
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie Esqr one of the Police Justices	$187^{50}/_{100}$
issd	Theophs Beekman Esqr the like	$187^{50}/_{100}$
	Clerks of Election	$14

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 21[st] 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Selah Strong Robert Lenox John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Mangle Minthorn	Assist[ts]

Robert Lenox Esq[r] elected Alderman of the 2[d] Ward attended in his Seat & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

A Petition of Zadock Hedden for permission to sink a Pier for the accommodation of the Hoboken Ferry Boats was read & referred to Ald[n] Bogert, Furman & De La Montagnie.

[550] Ordered that Cornelius King occupy the Stand[s] N° 7 in Hudson Market

Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] pay Charles Loss City Surveyor $5 Dollars in full of all Demands.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	Tho[s] W Eagles for repairs to Lamps.....	£1: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 28[th] 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

John B Coles Selah Strong John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Nitchie Philip Brasher Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius John Crolius	Assist[ts]

John B Coles Esq[r] elected Alderman of the 1[st] Ward attended in his Seat & he together with James Culbertson Constable High Constable & Blaze Moor Constable took the Oaths prescribed by Law

Ordered that Ald[n] De La Montagnie & Mess[rs] Brasher & Nitchie be the Com[tee] for examin[g] & auditing all Acc[ts] ag[t] this Board.

On the Representation of M[r] Mayor.

Ordered that the respective Butchers of this City who have not already complied with the Order of the Mayor for that purpose Do return to and Occupy their Stands in the respective Markets to which they belong on or before the first day of November next: And [551]

that the Mayor be Authorized to Suspend such of the Licensed Butchers as shall refuse or neglect to comply with this Order; or who shall after the last day of this Month cut up or vend any Meat at any other place than their Stands in the Markets.

And forasmuch as irregular practices have obtained not only during the prevalence of the Epidemic but prior thereto, in some of the Butchers without any permission for that purpose, cutting up and vending Meats at other places within the City than at their Stands in the respective Markets. Therefore

Ordered that all the Butchers Do before the tenth day of November next render Accounts upon Oath, agreeable to the form prescribed by the Mayor, of the Number of Cattle, Hogs, Calves, Sheep and Lambs by them respectively killed and cut up within this City and County between the first day of May last and the thirty first day of October instant inclusive for which the Market fees shall not have been accounted for and paid to Bartholomew Skaats or Hugh Goble: And that they pay the Arrears to the respective Collectors of fees on or before the fifteenth day of November next.

The following Petitions were respectively read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs} viz^{t}

A Petition of Andrew Ross praying a Stand in the Hudson Market to vend Coffee.

A Petition of W^{m} Butler, Daniel Lamoreux, Matthias Baldwin & Peter Saunders stating that they had agreed to dig out Bedlow Street from George to Catharine Street for £598: 5/ that a Warrant has been issued to collect the Monies; but that part thereof remains unpaid & praying Relief.

A Petition [of] William Butler & Peter Saunders stating the like with Respect to Bedlow Street from Charlotte to George Street for £600 that upwards of £200 remains unpaid, & praying relief.

[552] A Petition of Isaac Hicks praying Permission to store 60 Tons of Hemp in a fire Proof Store within this City at Pecks Slip was read & granted.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats on Acc^{t} to purchase Fewel for the Courts of Justice	$175
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for City Watch	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£90: 12: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th Novr 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles
Selah Strong
Jotham Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
John Bogert
Richard Furman
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
John Nitchie
John Crolius
Nicholas Carmer
Philip Brasher
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

The Board having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter and compared them with their [553] respective Vouchers & found them right

Those of the Alm House amounts to..... £2320:14: 9½
Those of the Bridewell to..... 329: 8: 2

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was agreed to by the Board vizt—And a Warrt for paymt thereof was ordered accordingly. vizt

iss^d

		Dollars
iss^d	For the Alms House.....	$5000
	For the Bridewell.....	1250

The follows Assessors attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

Andrew Morris 1st Wd—Wm G Miller 4th Wd Peter Arell—6th Wd —Samuel Stilwell & Robert McDermot 7th Wd Bowery Division Valentine Nutter & John Adrianse 7th Wd Harlem Division.

Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall on Tuesday the 12th Instant of an Assistant or Common Councilman in the stead of Philip Ten Eyck who was not a Freeman of this City nor a freeholder in the 2d Ward at the time of his being elected and of two Assessors in the stead of John Jones & Daniel McCormick who refused to serve.

Ordered that the former Committee on the Subject of public Markets be discharged And that Aldn Coles & Strong & Mr Arcularius be a Committee to enquire into the State of the public Markets in this City & report such Improvements in the Regulation thereof as they may deam necessary.

A Petition of John Town relative to Hoboken Ferry was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 1st & the Aldn of the 2d Wd be a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of the Corner Lot at the Battery occupied by Dr Bailey & report to the Board

[554] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 11th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie John Bogert John B Coles Richard Furman Selah Strong Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius John Nitchie John Crolius Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn	Assistts

John Bingham for the 3d Ward & John H Sickels for the 1st Ward Assessors & Adolph Bussing for Harlem Division Constables appeared & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

The Committee on the Petition of Zadoc Hedden on the subject of Hoboock Ferry reported that they had called on Mr Hedden & requested him to enter into Bonds with surety for payment of the Ferry Rent in quarterly payments; that Mr Hedden refused to have anything more to do with the Ferry under present Circumstances.

Richd Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert

Ordered that the same Committee treat with Mr Town or any other Person to take the Ferry for three Years from the first May last & report the Result to the Board.

Petitions of Joseph Smith & Gerardus Smith on the subject of the said Ferry were read & referred to the same Committee.

[555] A Petition of William Nielson stating certain Reasons for not complying with the Ordinance for filling up his Water Lot & praying a suspension of the prosecution against him on that account was read & the Board determined that his Request could not be granted

Ordered that an extract of the Law for regulating the sale of firewood which ascertains the length thereof be republished and that the Inspectors be required after the 1st day of April next to cause the said Law to be strictly enforced against all Offenders & that any Inspector who shall neglect his Duty in the Premisses shall be immediately removed from his Office.

A Petition from the Neighborhood of the Hospital complaing that an encroachment on the Street has taken place in the setting of the Fence round that Builds was read & referred to the St Commissrs

On reading a Petition of the Gentlemen composing a Law Society for a Room in the City Hall, It was ordered that they might convene in the Room used by the Court of Chancery.

A Petition of Robert Quin to be a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

A Petition of John Parks for relief on a Suit commenced against him on the Law for regulating Buildings was read & rejected.

The follows Persons were appointed Firemen vizt To Engine No 3 Jacob Wilt 5th Ward Cabt Maker vice Samuel Sneeden decd.

To Engine No 24 Wm Cairns 4th Wd Mercht vice John McComb removed to another Engine

To Engine No 23 James Craft vice

[556] Resolved that Richard Varick Esqr Mayor of the City of New York be and he is hereby authorized and appointed to vote on behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York at the next Election for twelve Directors of the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to a Copy of the above Resolution & that Mr Recorder subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Petition of Francis Spicer Butcher for a Stand in the Market was read & rejected

The like of Ebenr Winship was postponed And the like of George W Varian was granted

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

	The St Commissrs on Acct towards discharging the Expences of relieving the indigent sick during the late Epidemic Fever	$1000
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£163: 7:—
issd	John Van Alst for repairs Pumps 5th Wd	£0: 8:—
issd	Wm Hardenbrook for fire Engine Departmt	£128:—:—
issd	The same for repairs Lamps	£31: 7:—
issd	Saml Russel towards new Well in Chatham St	£8:16:—
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£96:15: 6
issd	The same for the like	£72: 0: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6
issd	The same for the like	£72: 0: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£96: 4: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£96: 4: 6

[557] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Novr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox
John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
Selah Strong
John B Coles

Philip Brasher
John Nitchie
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn } Assistts
Nicholas Carmer
Philip Ten Eyck

From the Poll List of the Election held on the 12th Inst. in the second Ward of an Assistant or Common Councilman & two Assessors it appeared that Philip Ten Eyck as Assistant or Common Councilman & that George Warner & William Jauncey as Assessors were duly elected.

Philip Ten Eyck attended & took the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed accordingly

Petitions for establishing a public Ferry from Horns Hook to Hallets Point across the East River were read & referred to the Street & Road Commissrs

A Letter from Colo Henry Rutgers to Mr Mayor relative to the payment of the Monies assessed for digging out certain Streets; was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Ordered that the auditing Committee treat with the Printers of daily Papers to publish the Business & Things of this Board by Contract

[558] A Petition of John Jones for Relief agt a Prosecution on an Ordinance for filling in his Water Lot was read & the Board determined no Relief could be given him.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£40:14:—
issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables and Marshals for conveyg criml Prisoners & Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£25:10:—
issd	John Ferdon &c towards a new Well at the Corner of Leonard St & Broadway.....	$37
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles.....	£3:16: 6
issd	John S Delamater for Services & Expences going to Hempstead on public Business.....	£2:17: 3
issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk of Police Office.....	$75
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Services & Disbursmts.....	£22: 5:—
issd	The Justices of the Justices Ct.....	$474

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 2d 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post John B Coles Selah Strong Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck John Nitchie Philip Brasher

Assistts

[559] George Warner one of the Assessors elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended and represented to the Board that his Duty as an Inspector of the State Prison required so much of his time & Attention as to render it impossible for him to execute the Office of Assessor & therefore refused to take the Oaths by Law directed.

Petitions of John Jones & Thomas Ten Eyck for Relief against the Ordinances passed for filling up their Water Lots between the Old Slips & Coenties Slip.

And a Petition of Isaac Burr & others for enforcing the said Ordinances were respectively read & postponed.

A Petition of Thomas Gardner to insert a private Drain to carry off the Bye Water from the Cellar of his House at the Corner of Broad & Beaver Street, into the public Sewer, was read & granted to be done under the Inspection of the Commissrs of Streets

A Petition from the Neighborhood to remove the fire Engine House out of Chatham Square to some more convenient place & to have it rebuilt or repaired was read & referred to the Street Commissrs to take order thereon

Mr Mayor informed the Board that James Culbertson High Constable of this City was deceased; And that he had nominated & appointed John S Delametre in his stead.

Mr Delametre attended & took the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Delametre be appointed in the stead of Mr Culbertson to prosecute on the building Law.

Ordered that the further Sum of five thousand Dollars be borrowed of the Bank of New York for defraying the public Expences of this City 'till the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected

[560] That a Bond for the repayment thereof be made out with the Common Seal affixed and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the follows Persons be appoin[ted] fire Men to the Engine at the State Prison to be properly armed & accoutred to quell or suppress any conspiracy or insurrection which may at any time happen in the State Prison viz[t]

Ezra Weeks foreman	Robert Buchan
John McComb Jun[r]	John Van Buskirk
Henry Clement	Samuel Henderson
Joseph Watkins	John Richardson
Peter Fenton	Benjamin Everson
Levi Weeks	Charles Thurston
David Williamson	Charles Fields
Isaac McComb	James Burnet
Barent Deklyn	William Barton
Thomas Smith	Elias Ring

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issd	David Waldron for repairs Roads	£312:18: 9
issd	James Woods for repairs Lamps	£23:17: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92: 0: 4
issd	Edward Bardin for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the British Army	£45: 3: 6
issd	Nich[s] Lawrence for the City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Office of Mercantile Advertizer	£16:—:—
issd	The several Persons for taking new Lists of Jurors	£54:—:—

[561] Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City viz[t]

Engine N° 7 Nicholas Anthony 5[th] Ward Tanner vice Abel Hardenbrook resigned

D° N° 9 Matthias Valentine vice James Robinson

D° N° 11 Jacob Boerom 2[d] W[d] Merch[t] Robert S Van Keuren 1[st] W[d] Grocer & Arnoldus Voorheis 2[d] Ward Grocer vice Jacob Morris & Moses Smith dec[d] & & Ab[m] Egbert removed from the City.

N° 12 James Robertson vice Ezra Weeks resigned

N° 21 David Baker 3[d] W[d] Cordwainer vice Uriah Burgess resigned.

N° 24 Alex[r] S Gordon 2[d] W[d] Silver Smith vice Robert Hurtin dec[d]

N° 2 Hook & Ladder C° David Saffin 5[th] W[d] vice Benj[a] Gilmore resigned.

City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Thursday the 12th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Philip Brasher
Richard Furman		John Nitchie
Robert Lenox		John Crolius
John B Coles		Nicholas Carmer
		Philip J Arcularius
		Philip Ten Eyck

Assistts

William Jauncey an Assessor elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended & informed the Bd that by Reason of a lameness in his Leg from a fracture he was unable to execute the Office and therefore refused to take the Oaths.

[562] Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall on Monday the 23th Inst of two Assessors for the 2d Ward in the place of George Warner & William Jauncey accordingly

Ordered that the High Constable occupy the upper Rooms in the Watch House, Mrs Culbertson to remain in them 'till the first May next if she chuses.

On reading an application of Le Roy, Bayard & McEvers to deposit a Cargo of Hemp in a fire proof Store within the limits prescribed by Law the Bd determined that if on enquiry the St Commissrs shall find that there are no proper buildings for the purpose without the Limits their request be granted.

Ordered that Water Street be chained off on both sides of the Market to prevent Interruption to the Market during Market Hours.

Ordered that a Bond be made out, with the Common Seal affixed, to the Manhattan Co for the payment of five thousand Dollars with Interest at six per Cent for the sixth installment of the Corporation Shares in that Company And that Mr Mayor sign the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that William Van Waert be appointed Captain of the lower City Watch vice James Culbertson decd

Ordered that the St Commissioners be authorised to employ the High Constable to superintend the cleaning of the Streets and to prosecute all violations of the Street Law.

Ordered that the subscription Monies collect[ed] for Mangins new Map of the City be paid to the Street Commissrs who are authorized to advance him $100 on his Note

[563] Ordered that the Engineer obtain a Return of the number of public Buckets in the respective fire Engine Houses.

And that the Committee on that subject *be* take order for completing them to a sufficient number not exceeding one thousand

Ordered that Mr Arcularius be of that Committee instead of Mr Lindsay.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men vizt

To Engine No 2 Hezekiah Rogers 7th Wd Shoemaker vice John Smith decd

No 20 Anthony Glean 6th Ward Mason John Targee 4th [Ward] Carpenter Vice Edmund Livingston decd & & Nichs Lozier resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Abishai Barnard for Lamp Oil.....	$614^{25}/_{100}$
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

[564] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong, Jotham Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, Philip Ten Eyck, John Crolius } Assistts

A Letter from Andrew Billings, Presidt Pro tem. of the Trustees of the Village of Poughkeepsie, to Mr Mayor, requesting the Loan of a Fire Engine until they can procure one on purchase was read and it was Ordered that they have the Loan of the Engine last purchased of Mr Elsworth 'till the 1st June next and the Engineer take Order for the sending it to them accordingly

The Clergy of this City having agreed to set apart Thursday next as a Day of Thanksgiving & Prayer The Board Order that the Clerk publish a Recommendation from this Board to the Inhabitants for the observance of the same accordingly.

Ordered that such Part of the Street Law as requires the removal of Snow from the side Walks in the Streets be republished

An Application of Edward Livingston relative to his Lot on the Corner of Pearl Street at the Battery was read & referred to the Street Commissioners & Aldn Lenox

[565] A Petition of William Phillips for Relief against a Suit on the building Law was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed Fire Men of this City vizt

To Engine No 13 David Pearcelock vice Wm Creed decd

Do No 15 Cornelius Schuyler vice Gideon Carstang resigned

Ordered that a further Loan be made of the Bank of New York for $5000 to defray the public Expences of this City until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected And that a Bond be made out for the payment thereof with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor sign the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Abm Skinner for Costs on Suit between the Overseers of the Poor of New York & the Overseers of the Poor of Hempstead	£8:10:—
issd	Wm Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 25th Novr last..	$90 50/100
issd	Colo Morton for Cartridges &c on the same Occasion...	$19 88/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 20th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Richard Furman		John Crolius	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jotham Post		Philip Ten Eyck	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius	

[566] The mournful Information of the Death of His Excellency General George Washington having arrived in this City, the Board took into consideration the Measures proper to be taken on this most sorrowful Event And thereupon Resolved that it be signified to the several religious Societies in this City as the Wish of this Board, that they cause their respective Churches to be dressed in mourning and that their respective Bells be muffled & tolled every Day from 12 to 1 OClock 'till the 24th Inst inclusive

Resolved that it be recommended to the Owners & Masters of Ships & Vessels in this Harbour to hoist their Colours half Mast till the 24th Inst. inclusive also

Resolved that the Members & Officers of this Corporation do wear a black Crape on the Arm for six Weeks and that it be recommended to the Inhabitants of this City to do the like.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 23d 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assists
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Nitchie	
Selah Strong		John Crolius	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Nicholas Carmer	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	

[567] Samuel Burling Assessor for the 3d Ward attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

From The Poll List of the Election held on this day in the 2d Ward of two Assessors it appears that William Henderson & John Suydam were duly elected. Ordered that they be notified to attend & take the Oaths prescribed by Law

The Treasurer presented an Estimate of the Monies which will be required to be raised by Tax the ensuing Year; which was read & referred to the Members of this Board who are Members of the Legislature.

A Representation of the fire Men of the Company lately appointed & stationed at the State Prison; was read & referred to Aldermen, Coles & Dela Montagnie & Mr Arcularius

The Inspectors of Lots reported that certain Lots in the 1st 2d & 5th Wards are in a low & sunken situation & that the Sinks or Privies on all the Lots of Ground from White Hall Street or Slip to James Street or Slip & lying between Cherry Street & the River & between Pearl Street & the River ought to be emptied and cleansed. Whereupon Ordinances for the raising & filling of those Lots & for the emptying & cleansing of the said Sinks or Privies, were prepared & passed by the Board accordingly.

An application from the fire Company No 1 for another Engine was referred to the Committee on that subject.

Ordered that Robert Spier 2d Wd Cooper be a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice Enoch Carter removed from the City.

The Street Commissioners reported a Survey of the Common Lands lying between the post Road the Lands of John *John* Jones, John Hardenbrook & Peter Pra Van Zandt & sold to them respectively.

Ordered that the Deeds be prepared accordingly.

[568] Ordered that Mr Mayor iss[ue] his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Jacob Harsen ballce of his Acct for Repairs to the public Roads	£560:—: 3
issd	Nichs Carmer for Repairs to Wells & Pumps	£109: 1: 8
issd	John Elsworth Clerk to 2 Elections 2d Wd	£1:12:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 30th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Jotham Post		John Crolius	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
Jacob De la Montagnie		John Nitchie	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	

The Clerk presented to the Board the Drafts of Deeds to John Jones & John Hardenbrook for such parts of the Common Lands as lie between the Lands of the respective Grantees & the Post Road; which were respectively read & ordered to be engrossed.

Also a Lease to the Executors of Samuel Ackerly decd of the Lot situate on the Corner of Cherry & Roosevelt Streets for the Term of seven Years from the 1st May last at the Rent of £30 per Annm which was approved & the Common Seal ordered to be affixed to be delivered on the execution of the Counterpart

[569] On a suggestion that Medcef Eden had intruded on parcel of the Common Lands It was ordered that Mr Recorder as Atty for & on behalf of this Board take such Measures for the recovery of those Lands as may be necessary & also for the prosecution of all other Cases of Intrusion on the public Property of this City.

On a Complaint of Abm Stagg & others who were appointed to dig out & pave Mulberry Street in 1797 [that they] were not yet paid

for their Services it was ordered that John Tabele who was appointed to collect the Monies assessed for the purpose make Return to this Board of the said Monies collected and of the Sums remaining to be collected.

The auditing Committee on the subject of a Contract with the Printers made a report and it was ordered that they make & conclude a Contract with the Proprietors of the New[s] Papers the one called the Daily & the other the Commercial Advertizer.

William Henderson & John Suydam Assessors elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

It being represented to the Board that Robert Pettit, confined in Bridewell on conviction for a Misdemeanor, is afflicted with a Disorder which will require surgical Operation & which cannot be performed without endangering his Life unless he be removed to some more suitable part of the Building other than the Cell in which he now is.

Ordered that Mr Hazard the Keeper of the Bridewell do remove the said Robert Pettit to such other apartment in the Bridewell, consistent with his safe keeping, as shall be more suitable to his present situation until his recovery.

The Inspectors of Lots &c made further Report of certain Lots in the 2d Ward & fronting on Front Street & Water Street which required to be raised And thereupon An Ordinance for raising those Lots was passed by the Board accordingly

[570] The following Persons were appointed Fire Wardens & Fire Men vizt

1st Ward
Thomas Ludlow
Joseph Newton

2d Ward
George Harsen
Isaac Sebring
Harmen G Rutgers

3d Ward
John Bingham
Willet Seaman
William Bowne

4th Ward
Jacob Abramse
George Gosman
John Stoutenburgh

5th Ward
Archibald Kerly
Benjamin Egbert
Abraham Bloodgood

6th Ward
Anthony Steenbach
Uzziah Coddington
James J Myers

7th Ward
Thomas White
Jacamiah Ackerly
Abraham Van Gelder Junr

The two following Persons were appointed Engineers of the Firemen in this City viz[t]

Nicholas Van Antwerp & Thomas Franklin } vice John Stagg & Ahasuerus Turk resigned.

Jacob Fought was appointed a Fireman to Engine N[o] 8 vice Lewis Lurten resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on acc[t]	$1500
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Tho[s] Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92: 5: 6

The following Report on the subject of the Stalls & Standings in the several public Markets was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t] (see the Report on the follow[g] Page annexed.

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[572] The Committee upon Butchers Stalls Report—That they find by the record of the Common Council the following Stalls in the Fly Market were sold at Publick Auction in the Year 1706, to the persons, & for the Sums fixed to their respective names between Pearl & Water Street

N[o]	3	David Man	£58	now occupied by John Fitzgerald
	7	Matthew Fox	85	unoccupied
	9	Matthew Fogel	62	given up
	13	Daniel Ensley Jur	43	now occupied by M Fogel
	15	Nicholas Smart	55	d[o] Joseph Moore
	17	James Reading	75	
	19	John Barr	60	neglected but claimed by J. Campbell
	18	John Corley	40	occupied by J Striker
	8	John Davenport	20	
		between Water & Front Street		
	72	George Manolt	£530	
	71	David Timmons	290	
	70	John Pell	285	
	69	Daniel Winship	205	
	68	George Minirve	320	
	67	Whitehead Cornell	170	
	66	James Young	310	now Joseph O Bogert
[573]	65	Benj[n] Cornell	£165	
	64	Henry Lovell	280	
	63	Isaac Bayea	180	now William Everitt
	62	John Paringer	150	
	61	Cornelius Schuyler	175	
	63	Burdet Striker	210	now James Marsh
	59	Andrew Ross	200	

The Conditions of sale were in the Words following

"None to buy but licenced butchers subject to such regulations & "fees as the corporation may make from time to time, & no transfer of "any stall so purchased to be made without leave of the Corporation, "butchers having Stands in the upper Market & becoming purchasers "in the lower market are considered to have forfeited their stalls in "the upper Market, none of the Butchers in the other Markets Are to "have leave to become purchasers in the Fly market

It does not appear that the purchasers received any written conveyance for the Stalls by them bought

The Heirs & Widows of the deceased purchasers, having held up an exclusive [574] ownership Claim to the Stalls by Virtue of Inheritance, Your Committee thought it best to have an interview with the Persons now holding the Stalls so sold. The result was that they generally say and understand the right to the stalls is invested in them their Heirs & assigns for ever. The conditions of Sale however do not seem to warrant any such construction but as the kind of Right sold may be some what equivocal & give frequent cause for discussion, therefore in order to settle a compromise which the present purchasers themselves seem disposed to meet Your Committee recommend that the purchasers now holding any of the Stalls herein before mentioned & which they have paid they shall respectively on application to the Board receive a conveyance for the same vesting in them and their assigns being licenced butchers the right to such Stall until the first day of May in the Year Eighteen hundred & twenty & for such longer time as the original Person to whom the conveyance shall be made [575] may live, & choose to occupy said Stalls provided always the conditions of sale herein before mentioned be fulfilled on the part of the purchasers

And Your Committee further report that it is a customary thing for Butchers holding other stalls than those above mentioned, to sell the same they receiving an emolument therefrom which they do not appear entitled to, & making a sort of monopoly of the Stalls, calculated to destroy that competitor-ship in the Sale of meat which is always beneficial to the publick—Your Committee therefore recommend, that means be taken to sell at Publick Auction the Stalls in all the Markets not already sold, on the first day of may next for the term of five Years

New York 30th Decr 1799
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Philip J. Arcularius

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 1800, TO MAY 30, 1803

[1] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday January the 6th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Jotham Post Richard Furman John Bogert John B Coles	} Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius John Crolius John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer	} Assists

Mr Recorder having obtained from the honble Gouverneur Morris Esqr a Copy of the Oration he delivered lately at St Pauls Church, at the Request of this Board in honor of the Memory of General Washinton decd It was ordered by the Board that Mr Recorder be requested to get the said Oration printed under his direction and that the Copy Right be secured for charitable Purposes as the Board shall direct and that 1500 Copies be printed for the use of this Board.

Ordered that unless Mr John Jones do without delay proceed to the filling in of his Water Lots, on the west side of the Old Slip, in manner required of him by the Ordinance for that purpose passed by this Board that the Inspectors of Lots do cause the same to be done at his expence.

[2] The auditing Committee reported that they had made & concluded a Contract with the Proprietors of the Daily advertizer and of the Commercial advertizer to print and publish in their respective News Papers all such Matters & Things (the Treasurers annual Accounts excepted) as this Board shall from time to time direct & require for one Year commencing the first Instant at the rate of seventy five Dollars per Annm each.

The Street Commissrs presented their Accts of Receipts & Expenditures in the Street Department & also in the Relief of the indigent & sick Families during the Epidemic Fever the last Season; which Accts were respectively examined & filed.

Ordered that Christopher Mildeberger of the 5th Ward Leather dresser & William Clap of the 5th Ward flour Merchr be appointed Fire Men to Engine No 12 vice Thomas Franklin appointed an Engineer & Abm Bloodgood a Fire Warden.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Wm Van Wert for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Charles Snowden for printg & publishg Treasrs annual Accts	$33 75/100

[3] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman	Philip Brasher
Selah Strong	John Nitchie
John Bogert	John Crolius
Jacob De La Montagnie	Nicholas Carmer
Robert Lenox	Mangle Minthorn
John B Coles	Philip J Arcularius
} Esqrs Aldn	} Assistts

The following Estimate was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

Estimate of the Expenses of the City of New York for the year 1800

Alms House. Support of the Poor			$30,000
Bridewell Do Do			5,000
Roads, repairing		$3.000	
Do Compleating New Road		3,750	
Paid for Lands		800	
			7,550
Streets. Improving and repairing			5,000
Support of Criminal Prisoners			3,000
Contingent Charges			29,450
Amount of City and County Charges		Dollrs	80,000
Watch Lawrence & Van Werts Lower Watch		13000	
Gobell & Beekman upper Do		9500	
Do Goal, Bridewell & other Stands		2,500	
			25,000
Lamps Supplying with Oil lighting &c			15,000
Wells & Pumps Repairing & Supplying New			2,500
City Contingent Expences			7,500
Amount of City Expences		Dollrs	50,000

City & County Charges	80,000
City Do	50000
Dollrs	130,000

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[4] Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to enable the raising of the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate by Tax And also that he prepare the Draft of a Law for that purpose

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the first Ward apply to Mr Edgar on the subject of widening the small Street leading from the southern End of Lumber Street into Greenwich Street.

Ordered that the Police Magistrates be requested to convene the Fire Wardens of the several Wards for the purpose of informing them in the Duties of their Office & to urge them to vigilence in the execution of the Laws for extinguishing & preventing Fires.

The Committee on the Petition of Joshua Barker on behalf of the Engine Co No 1. "Report That they have caused to be removed the small Engine No 21 from the Engine House in Gold Street near the Baptist Meeting House, to the Engine House in Greenwich Street near the Industry Furnace there to remain in the room of the old Engine No 1, which the Committee have caused to be removed to the Engine House of No 23 in Broad Way near the Hospital, until the further order of the Corporation. That they have annexed three of the Company of No 23 to the Company of No 1 which makes their number thirteen; being the usual number employed to work No 23 until the further order of the Corporation." which Report was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that Job Furman 7th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to No 19th vice John Whitehand resigned and Joseph Marsh 6th Wd Mason to No 14 vice Uzziah Coddington appointed Fire Warden

[5] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

Nichs Carmer the following Sums for the Amount of the several Charges in his Acct audited & passed by the Board this day. vizt

	For Repairs to the Alms House	£724: —: 11
	For the like at Belle Vue Hospital	193: 2: 7½
	For the like at the Gaol	273: 16: 6
	For the like at the Bridewell	216: 19: 10
	For the like at the new public burying Ground	72: 19: 7
	For the like at Brooklyn Ferry	102: 15: 5
issued	For the like at the City Hall	92: 19: 9
	For the like on Docks Slips & Streets	259: 14: 5
	For the like on Fire Engine Houses	42: 0: 9
	For the like on the Fence round the public Ground in front of Bridewell	33: 2: —

For the like at the Battery.....	£30: 7:10
For the like on Watch Houses & Boxes.....	21: 5: 0½
	£2063: 4: 8
For his Acct for his Services.....	160:—:—
	£2223: 4: 8
And to pay Bernard O Blenis Clerk of Police Office for 2 Mths Services.....	$150.

[6] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of Jany 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong Richard Furman John B Coles Jotham Post Robert Lenox Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius Philip Ten Eyck John Crolius John Nitchie Mangle Minthorn	Assistts

The Board having requested the Recorder to secure the Copy Right of Mr Morris's Oration on the Death of General Washington which having been done accordingly The Board now direct that the said Copy Right be assigned to John Furman Printer on his furnishing this Board with 200 Copies gratis for the use of the Members according to his agreement with Mr Ten Eyck

Mr Mayor, on behalf of Mr Recorder, presented to the Board the Draft of the Petition to the Legislature for a Law to enable the raising of the Monies by Tax, specified in the Estimate made & agreed to at the last Meeting for defraying the Expences of this City the ensuing Year which together with the Draft of a Law for the purpose were read & agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that John Vark be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal in this City.

[7] On a suggestion that many of the public Measurers, under appointments of this Board, have declined the Office or from other avocations neglect the Business of their appointments.

The Board determine that all the said appointments of public Measures shall cease & expire on the 3d Monday in April next and that the Clerk publish the above in due Season that all such as the

Board shall approve may apply for new appointments and that such other appointments may be made as the Bd shall deem necessary

On a suggestion that many Articles of Property stolen or supposed to be stolen & which have from time to time been brought to the Police Office, remain there in a situation subject to waste; and no Person having appeared to claim any of those Articles The Board direct that the Justices of the Police Office do cause the said Articles to be sold at public Auction and that the Monies arising from such Sale be paid into the City Treasury.

A Letter from John Jones to the Clerk was read in which he signifies his consent to accept the Terms offered him to pay the Interest on the purchase Money at 5 Pr Ct & the Quit Rent reserved of one bushl of Wheat per annum per Acre for the Common Lands he purchased And he further Offers to pay $5000 of the purchase Money immediately & to give his Notes with two good Endorsers for payment of the Residue in 3, 6, 9 & 12 Months with like Interest which proposals the Bd agreed to

[8] And the Board on further consideration of the subject agreed to relinquish the Quit Rent of Wheat reserved on Mr Jones's purchase up to the 1st day of May last And that the like Indulgence be granted to all the other purchasors of the Common Lands.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
	Magnus Beekman for the like	62: 2: 6
	Hugh Gobel for the like	62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss.

At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen purst to the Statute in such Case made & provided on Wednesday the 22d day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post
Robert Lenox
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Richard Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie

The Board proceeded to examine the Tax Lists delivered in by the Assessors of the several Wards and thereupon settled the Quotas of the several Wards on the follwg Ratio vizt

	1st Ward	$1,500,000
	2d do	3,100,000
	3d do	3,000,000
	4th do	2,000,000
	5th do	1,500,000
7th Wd	7th So of Line	1,600,000
7th Wd	7th No of Line	1,400,000
7th Wd	Harlem	0,400,000

[9] The Board then determined and ordered the Amount of the Monies to be raised by Tax, pursuant to & for the purposes mentioned in the Statute passed the 3d day of April 1799 entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen of the City of New York to order the raising Monies by Tax for the maintenance of the Poor, & for defraying the other contingent Expences arising in the City & County of New York & for other Purposes." to be as follows vizt

On the City & County of New York	$69666 66
On the same for Schools	2360
On the City of New York South of the Line in the said Statute mentioned & described	40333 34
Total	$112360

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Furman		John Nitchie
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Philip Brasher
Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius
Robert Lenox		John Crolius
		Nicholas Carmer
		Mangle Minthorn

Assistts

[10] The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board: vizt

The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the 31st day of December 1798 to the twenty eighth day of December last inclusive. That the Mayor has received from James Culbertson now deceased and Bartholomew Skaats and Hugh Goble Deputy Clerks of the Market [including Ninety two pounds eight shillings. paid by his Order for Sweeping and Cleansing the Market]. The Sum of one thousand seven hundred and sixty five pounds sixteen shillings. That

the Mayor has retained the one half of the last mentioned Sum to his own use and has paid the Sum of four hundred pounds to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer and has now in his hands the Ballance of three hundred and ninety pounds ten shillings.

The Committee further Report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies Received and paid by him for Licences Granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March last to the Seventeenth day of January instant inclusive. That he has received for 1090 Licences the Sum of One thousand six hundred and thirty five pounds. That he has retained three tenth parts thereof to his own use That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Blanks for the year 1799. fourteen pounds eleven shillings. That he has paid to John C Totten for printing the Blanks for the year 1800 . fourteen pounds eight shillings that he has paid to Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder two hundred Pounds That he has paid to Garrit Gilbert Esquire the Commissioner of Excise. twenty eight pounds twelve shillings. and three pence. as a Commission for receiving and paying over £1144.10. due to the Board; That the Mayor has paid to Daniel Phœnix the City Treasurer the Sum of six hundred Pounds. and that he now has in his hands the Ballance of two hundred and eighty six pounds eighteen shillings and nine pence; All which appears from the preceding Accounts.

New York 27[th] January 1800. Jacob De La Montagnie, Philip Brasher, John Nitchie } Auditing Committee

[11] Ordered that M[r] Mayor pay the said Ballances into the City Treasury

M[r] Mayor Suggested to the Board that for want of due information it frequently happened that Tavern Licences were granted to improper persons; and he therefore signified to the Members of the Board his wish to have their aid and opinion in guarding against the evil in future, and his inclination not to grant a Licence on or after the first day of March next to any but a Citizen of the United States, except to such proper Characters as are now licensed, nor to any other applicant who shall not have resided in this City for at least two years

Whereupon the Board signified that they approve of the Mayors determination in the premises and recommend to him not to grant a Licence to any person whomsoever, unless he shall personally know the applicant or receive a proper recommendation in his favor from respectable Citizens.

Whereas the Inhabitants of this City have experienced great inconvenience by reason that the Election of Charter Officers is in and by the Charter of Incorporation of this City directed to be held on the twenty ninth day of September in every year at which Season for several years past this City hath been afflicted with uncommon Sickness and Mortality in so much that a great proportion of the Electors for Charter Officers have been obliged to abandon their places of residence to avoid disease—and that from the great increase of the Inhabitants and Trade of this City and the consequent accumulation of Law Suits, the Terms of the Court of Common pleas called the Mayors Court, which are by Law limited to three days only are become too short for the dispatch of the public Business therein

And further that in the opinion of this Board it would be very useful and proper that all the Statutes of the State making alterations in the Charter of this City and which have from time to time been enacted on Petition of the Common Council of this City should be incorporated and form one Statute. That the powers vested in the [12] Special Justices for preserving the peace in the City and County of New York should be enlarged and also that the Common Council of this City should have power to order the Meetings of the Courts of Justice in this City and such other meetings of the Common Council and Magistrates as are now by Law specially directed to be held in the City Hall, to such other place or places in this City as in their Judgment shall be most Convenient and proper; whenever by reason of Sickness or other great Emergency it shall to them appear necessary.

Resolved that a respectful Petition be presented to the Legislature for leave to present a Bill or Bills to be enacted this present Session. To Change the time for holding the annual Election of Charter Officers in this City from the twenty ninth day of September to the third Tuesday in November in every year that the persons elected be sworn into and Commence the duties of their respective Offices on the first Monday in December in every year And that the present Charter Officers in this City elected at the last Annual Election or at any Election since and sworn into Office and any other Charter Officer who may be hereafter elected and sworn into Office before the fourteenth day of October next hold over and Continue in the exercise of their respective Offices until the first Monday in December next and until other or others shall be elected and sworn in their places respectively.

To enlarge the Terms of the Courts of Common pleas called the Mayors Court from three to five days and to amend alter and incorporate into one Statute all the Laws making alterations in the Charter

of this City as aforesaid and also such as respect the powers & holding of the Mayors Court and Courts of General Sessions of the peace in the City and County of New York and which respect the City only and do not form a part of the General Laws of the State at large.

To Authorize the Special Justices for preserving the peace in this City and County for the time being to exercise the same powers and Authorities in this City respecting Cases of Bastardy, Apprentices and [13] Servants and Vagrants or Vagabonds, taking special Bail and Administring Oaths in Causes depending in the Court of Common pleas called the Mayors Court and also to take Affidavits to be read in the same Court in like manner as the Aldermen of this City are Authorized to do And to Authorize the Common Council of this City for the time being whenever by reason of Sickness or other great Cause they shall determine it necessary to order and direct all or any of the Courts of Justice of this City the Meetings of the Common Council or Magistrates or any other Meetings or Public business and which by Law is required to be held and done at the City Hall of this City to be held and done at such other place or places in this City as in their Judgment shall be proper and Convenient.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to a Copy of the said Petition to be presented to the Legislature and that Mr Mayor Subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee to whom it was refered to report what would be a proper Compensation to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk of the City for his Services as Clerk of this Board—Do Report—That in their opinion the following Sums for the periods thereunto affixed will be a Suitable and proper reward for his Services as Clerk of the Common Council, for his Attendance, for keeping the Records of the Board and of the Magistrates, drawing all Licences, Bonds, Grants and other Writings that may be necessary for the Board for Sealing all Instruments requiring the Corporation Seal and for all other Public Services for which no particular compensation is prescribed vizt

From the Commencement of his Official Services in 1784 to 1 March 1788	1200:0
From 1 March 88. to 1 March 92 @ 400 D.	1600:0
From 1 March 92. to 1. March 96 @ 450 Do.	1800:0
From 1 March 96. to 1. March 1800 @ 500 D.	2000:0
Ds....	6600:0

[14] Your Committee further Report that from the best Information they can Collect R. Benson Esquire has Received from and for

Tavern Licences during the Term of his Services aforesaid and which is intended by your Committee to be deducted from his Account as part payment thereof as follows

1784— 320	Licences @ 6/		240: 0
1785— 320	Do	Do	240: 0
1786— 320	do	do	240: 0
1787— 364	do	do	273: 0
1788— 385	do	do	288:75
1789— 330	do	do	247:50
1790— 414	do	do	310:50
1791— 472	do	do	354: 0
1792— 484	do	do	363: 0
1793— 566	do	do	424:50
1794— 595	do	do	446:25
1795— 709	do	do	531:75
1796— 902	do	do	676:50
1797—1021	do	do	765:75
1798—1071	do	do	803:25
			6204:75
Deduct for Commission to W Gilbert Printers Bills and other Contingent expences say 5 P Ct			310:20
		Dollars	5894:55
Amount of Compensation by this Report proposed			6600: 0
Amount of Money received thereon by Mr Benson for Licences of Taverns			5894:55
		Dollars	705:45

This Sum of Seven hundred and five Dollars and 45 Cents will be due Mr Benson on the first day of March next and your Committee Recommend that the same be paid immediately in Order to Close this Account (that has been so long unsettled) up to that period all which is respectfully Submited to the Board

New York 27th Jany 1800

Jno B. Coles
Ph. Ten Eyck

Ordered that the Mayor pay the foregoing [15] Balance out of the Balance in his Hands Arrising from Tavern Licences.

Ordered that the Watchmen do immediately on an Alarm of Fire at Night give notice thereof to the Fire Wardens, vizt Those of the 1st, 2d, 3d, & 4th by the lower Watch & those of the 5th, 6th & 7th Wards by the upper Watch And that a List of their Names with their places of Residence be affixed up in the Watch Houses.

The Police Justices informed the Board that certain Dies & other

Apparatus for counterfeiting spanish milled Dollars & which were taken from Persons bro't to Justice convicted of the Offence, & lodged in their Office remained there & requested the Board to advise what ought to be done with them Whereupon the Board advised the destruction of the said Dies & Apparatus by the Police Justices in presence of the auditing Committee of this Board.

The Clerk reported to the Board the follow^{g} Statem^{t} of the Settlem^{t} with John Jones for the Common Lands sold him viz^{t}

33¼ Acres @ $400		$13300.00
Deduct for so much advanced M^{r} Jones towards making the new Road		200.
	ball^{ce}	$13100.—
Interest on the ball^{ce} from 1st May 1797		1785.
	ball^{ce}	14885.^{5}⁄$_{100}$
M^{r} Jones has p^{d} the Treas^{r}		5000.
remains due for ball^{ce}		9885.^{5}⁄$_{100}$
To be paid in 4 Notes viz^{t}		
1 Note payable in 3 Months for	$2500	
1 D^{o} d^{o} 6 D^{o}	2500	
1 D^{o} D^{o} 9 D^{o}	2500	
1 D^{o} includ^{g} the Interest on all the Notes payable in 12 M^{ths}	2691	10191 —

Ordered that on M^{r} Jones giving the said Notes & executing the counterpart, the Deed sealed with the Common Seal & subscribed by M^{r} Mayor be delivered.

[16] Ordered that Isaac Minard 2^{d} W^{d} Cordwainer be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 11 vice Nich^{s} Van Antwerp appointed an Engineer

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Police Justices on Acc^{t} towards the Relief of indigent S^{t} Domingo Refugee families	$100
iss^{d}	The Committee for arranging & direct^{g} the procession in honor of the Memory of Gen^{l} Washington dec^{d}	$158.^{29}⁄$_{100}$
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£91:17: 4
iss^{d}	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps	£3:16: 6
iss^{d}	E. Belding & C^{o} for printing	$50
iss^{d}	Ann Greenlief for the like	£40: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Office of Mercantile Advertizer for the like	$50
iss^{d}	M^{c}Lean & Lang for the like	£44:—:—
iss^{d}	Office of Daily Advertizer for the like	$58

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 3d febv 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John B Coles Robert Lenox Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius Nichs Carmer John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher	Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Books of the Commissrs and compared them with their respective [17] Vouchers & found them right & just

Those of the Alms House amounts to.....	£4411:16:10
Those of the Bridewell.....to.....	686: 7: 6

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	$7500
For the Bridewell.....	500

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the Commissr the said Monies accordingly.

The Board proceeded to consider the Petitions of John Jones & Thos Ten Eyck for Relief agt the Ordinance passed for filling in their Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slips and also the Petition of Isaac Burr & others for enforcing the said Ordinance and it was determined that no Relief could be given

Ordered that Aldn Post & Mr Minthorn be added to the Committee of the Street Commissioners on the Petition for establishing a Ferry across the East River at Hellgate & opening a public Road thereto.

On reading a Petition from the Trustees of the African School for aid, the Committee formerly appointed on the subject of Schools was discharged And a new Committee on that subject was appointed vizt Aldn Post. & Messrs Carmer and Crolius: to whom the said Petition was referred.

A Petition for regulating & digging out Mulberry Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Request of Willet Seaman for Allowance for his Services as Treasurer of the Commissioners of the Alms House was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

[18] On Motion of Ald^{n} Coles.

Resolved that a Petition be presented to the Legislature stating "that among the various other Causes which probably tend to promote Disease in this City during the Summer & Autumnal Seasons are the Buildings erected in many Parts of the City on Lots of Ground so short as not to admit of Yards of sufficient Size and in many Instances of none at all by which Means those Buildings are deprived of the benefit of a free circulating Air & the Cellars or other Parts thereof become the Receptacles of the Filth & Dirt of the Families. That the Buildings erected on the Lots on each side of Moore Street, the Lots on the West side of Broad Street in the Neighborhood of the Exchange Slip and the Lots on the West side of the Fly Market Slip (the Buildings on which are generally very Slight & in many Cases in a decayed Condition) are particularly of this Description, That to remove the Evil it is conceived that if those Lots together with the adjoining Lot could be taken, by an Agreement with the Owners or on an Appraisement by Verdict of a Jury, and formed into Lots of proper Size and disposed of to Persons who would erect proper & wholesome Buildings thereon, reserving sufficient Yards, the Health & Comfort of the City would be greatly promoted" And praying Legislative Provision for removing the Evil & providing indemnification to the Owners.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petition & that M^{r} Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

An Application of Henry Smith Butcher to be licensed to Stand N^{o} 15 Oswego Market was granted

[19] Ordered that Jacob Van Winckel of the Ward be appointed a Fireman to Engine N^{o} 3 vice George Gosman appointed fire Warden And Sands Ferris 3^{d} W^{d} Grocer & George Cock 3^{d} W^{d} Merch^{t} to Engine N^{o} 18 vice John J Richie removed from the City & Nathaniel Hawxhurst resigned.

M^{r} Mayor produced to the Board Receipts of the Treas^{r} that he had paid into the Treasury the Sum of £390:10/ for the Ball^{ce} on his last Acc^{t} for Market Fees And the Sum of £4:15:2 on Acc^{t} of Tavern Licences Also a Receipt of Robert Benson for the Ball^{ce} due him for his Services as Clerk of this Board for $705 45/100 which two last Sums amount to the Ball^{ce} due from the Mayor for Tavern Licences as will appear from the Report of the auditing Committee at the last Meeting.

Ordered that D^{r} Bailey continue in the use of the House & Lot at

the Corner of State & Pearl Streets during the pleasure of the Bd and for no longer Term than one Year from the first May next

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Commissr of the Health Office for removing indigt Persons sick with the Yellow Fever, last Season, from this City to the Marine Hospital & provids them with sustenance Medicine & Attendance.....	$881 50
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$456
issd	Theophs Beekman Police Justice.....	$187 50
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie Do	$187 50
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Adrian Bogert towards a new Well in front of the Hospital	$37
issd	The same for the like in Cathn Street 6th Wd.....	$23
issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied towards the relief of indigent families.....	$500

[20] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 17th day of febv 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Furman Jotham Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer	Assists

Ordered that a Bond from this Corporation to the Manhattan Society for $5000, to pay up the 8th Installment on the Shares of this Corporation, be made; that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd

The President of the United States having been pleased to issue his Proclamation recommending it to the People of the United States to assemble on the 22d day of February Instant, in such manner as may be convenient, publickly to testify their Grief for the Death of Genl George Washington; And this Board being desirous that the said Recommendation should be duly observed in this City, Do earnestly recommend it to their fellow Citizens to observe the same accordingly

A Report of the Fire Wardens was read & referred to the Committee on the Fire Department: And Messiers Brasher and Crolius were added to the Committee

A Petition for dividing the 7th Ward was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

[21] Ordered that the Clerk write the Persons named in the Statute for widening Beaver Lane & for continuing Bancker Street to Pearl Street requesting them without delay to execute the Powers vested in them in & by the said Statute.

The Bd remit to John Spillard, on Acct of the indigence of his family, half the Penalty of which he is convicted for retailing spiritous Liquors to be drank in his House without Tavern Licence.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursmts	£21: 6:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Edward Meeks Iron Work to Lamps	£36: 1:—
issd	Thos & James Stevenson Blacksmith Work at St Pauls Church for the Eulogium on the Death of Genl Washington	$11 25/100
issd	Baltus Moor for Candles	£3: 9: 2
issd	Joseph Sidney & others for Music	£2:10:—
issd	John S Delamater for disbursemts on the same Occasion	$2

[22] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Robert Lenox, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Jotham Post, Richard Furman

Assists: John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, John Crolius, Philip Brasher, Nicholas Carmer

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esqr to the Office of Mayor of this City for the ensuing Year his Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published & he took the Oaths in & by the Charter prescribed & directed

The Board agree that Water be taken of the Manhattan Society for the use of the Debtor Goal and that Mr Carmer take order for the conducting of the Business accordingly.

A Petition of John Raper to be licenced as a Butcher to Stand No 34 Fly Market was read, and the Board agreed that it be recommended to Mr Mayor to license him to that Stand until a further Regulation be made.

A Petition of W^m Thomas for a Grant of a Water Lot at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[23] A Petition of the Purchasors *of the Purchasors* of the Common Lands for an abatement of Interest on the purchase Money was read and it was directed that they be informed that this Board have already determined that they should have the like Terms as those granted to M^r Jones

A Petition of the Proprietors of Water Lots between the Whitehall & Exchange Slips to run out Piers into the River was read & referred to the Street Commiss^rs

A Petition for digging out Lombard Street was read & referred to the S^t Commiss^rs

Robert Gilchrist signified to the Board that he had appointed on his Part W^m Rhinelander to assess & report the Recompence due to the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt dec^d for the Land taken to improve Greenwich Street Whereupon the Board appointed Gabriel Furman Esq^r on their part accordingly.

A Petition of John Hughes Auctioneer for indulgence as to the incumbering of the Street contrary to the Street Law was read & rejected.

On a Report of the Chief Engineer that sixteen new Leaders for the fire Engines was become necessary; it was ordered that he procure them under the Direction of the Committee on the fire Department

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^d	Nicholas Carmer on Acc^t	$500
iss^d	[24] W^m Van Waert for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
iss^d	Nicholas Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^d	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^d	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^d	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps	£91: 13: 4
iss^d	Goodeve & Brown for Candles	£3: 18: —
iss^d	David Marshall for superintend^g the public burying Ground	£32: 2: —
iss^d	George Furman for repairg Lamps	£17: 10: 10
iss^d	Sydney Phœnix for coppyg Tax Books	122^{75}/_{100}$
iss^d	Henry Rogers for lost fire Buckets	$4
iss^d	George Bowne for the like	$4
iss^d	Peter Griffen for the like	$4
iss^d	John Clendining for the like	$4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorne
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
John Crolius
John Nitchie
} Assistts

His Excellency the Govr by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having be[en] pleased to reappoint James Morris Esqr to the Office of Sherif of this City & County the Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published His Bond for the due execution of his Office being also read & approved, he took the Oaths prescribed & directed in & by the Charter

[25] On reading a Petition of Hugh McDougall for Relief against a Suit brought against him on the Building Law, the Board signified their consent that, on his pays the Prosecutor his part of the Penalty & the Costs, the execution against him for the other part be stayed for four Months.

Ordered that Mr Ellison have further time given him 'till 15th May to fill up his Lots on Moore Street.

A Letter from Aldn Coles to Mr Mayor now attending the Legislature as a Senator suggesting several Matters relative to this City which require legislative Provision, was read & referred to Aldn Lenox De La Montagnie & Furman.

Ordered that John Linen 3d Wd Cooper be appointed a fireman to Hook & Ladder Co No 1.

Ordered that the Treasr deposit the Notes recd of Mr John Jones as well as all other Notes which may be taken and all Monies recd & which may be received in payment for the Common Lands sold, into the Manhattan Bank in discharge of the Bonds of this Board given in payment of the several Installments on the Shares of this Board in the said Bank.

Ordered that a notification be published in the News Papers to all such of the purchasers of the Common Lands at public Auction as have hitherto neglected to take their Deeds and pay the consideration Money that their Deeds are ready And that the Lots of all such who neglect or refuse to accept & [26] take their Deeds by the 10th day of April next will be considered as relinquished by the Purchaser and

sold at public Auction on the 15th day of April next to the highest Bidder—the Loss on the second Sale to be borne by the former Purchaser.

The Bd agree that the extra Watchman employed in protecting the Persons employed in emptying Privies at Night be allowed 5/6 each Man per Night

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of March 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
Jacob De laMontagnie
Richard Furman
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
John Nitchie
Nicholas Carmer
John Crolius
Philip J Arcularius
Philip Ten Eyck
Mangle Minthorn
} Assistts

A Request of James Morris Esqr Sherif for the cleaning & lighting of the Debtor Gaol at the public Expence was read & rejected.

A Petition of Robert Snow for Relief on a Suit brought against him on the Buildgs Law was read & rejected

A Petition & Representation of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell against the Practice of committing Slaves to the Bridewell was read & rejected.

A Petition for a Well in Crown Point Street was read & granted on the usual Terms.

[27] A Petition of James Mills to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

A Petition of Duncan Campbell to [be] appointed an Inspector of fire Woode

A Petition of Benjamin Morgan relative to his Store House part of which stands on the Street near Pecks Slip

And a Petition of Jacob Nicolls to be licenced as a Butcher were respectively read & rejected

A Petition of George Stanton & others for a new Regulation of the Line of the North side of John Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

A Petition of Robert Lylburn relative to the Lots of Common Lands he purchased at Auction was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Taylor for remission of Fines recovered against him for retailg Liquors without Licence was read & rejected

Ordered that John Van Norden of the 5th Wd Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 20 vice John Motley resigned.

The Committee on the Letter from Alderman Coles read at the last Meeting made a Report which was read & agreed to

And thereupon Resolved that in the Opinion of this Board it would be expedient to commit all Causes relative to Seamans Wages & for Assaults & Batteries at Sea brought by them against the Masters or other Officers of the Vessel to which they have belonged, where the Sum in controversy shall not exceed fifty Dollars, to the Justices for trying Causes to the value of ten Pounds in this City; and that all such [28] Causes for assault & Battery be commenced within five Days after the arrival of the Parties into this Port: But that the Act to be passed for the Purposes aforesaid should be of a limited Duration that the Expedience of the same be fairly tried.

Resolved also that it will not be expedient at present to commit the Trial in Cases of Pettit Larceny & in all Cases of Assault & Battery to the said Court

Ordered that a certified Copy of the above Resolutions with the Common Seal affixed and subscribed by Mr Mayor be transmitted to the Members from this City in the Legislature

A Report of the Committee on the subject of Schools was read & postponed.

A Memorial of Isaac Van Vleck on behalf of himself Daniel Denniston & Samuel Breese surviving Trustees of the Proprietors of the late Negro burial Ground stating that the Conveyances for the Gore of Land at the Corner of Broad Way & Chambers Street are finally compleated & ready for delivery to this Board in exchange for the Conveyance to be made by this Board to the said Trustees of the Lots agreed to be delivered to them. was read

Ordered that the Conveyance from this Board be prepared accordingly

Ordered that the Street Commissrs examine & report what improvement is necessary to the Common Sewer at the lower end of Broad Street with an Estimate of the Expence

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman	62: 2: 6
issd	And Thomas Hazard for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£24: 7: 6

[29] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman
Robert Lenox
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

John Nitchie
Philip J Arcularius
John Crolius
Philip Minthorn
Philip Ten Eyck
Philip Brasher
} Assistts

A Petition from a number of Persons interested in the sale of Fire Wood praying a further suspension of the Law on that Subject until they be enabled to bring to this City & sell as refuse Wood great quantities of that Article which was cut short of the standard previous to their knowing of the Resolution of this Board to enforce the Law; was read & rejected.

A Petition for a fire Engine & House & also Lamps, in the neighborhood of East Rutgers Street; was read & referred to the Lamp Comtee

Whereas this Board did on the 23d day of April 1798 receive & accept of Nicholas Gouverneur, Lewis Ogden, Peter Ogilvie George Janeway & Nicholas Low a Release of a certain Street at Corlaers Hook called Gouverneur's Street of the breadth of fifty feet And whereas this Board did on the 15th day of July last (not recollecting the acceptance of the said Street) Determine that there [30] should be no other Street between Montgomerie Street & Scammel Street nor between Scammel Street & Ferry Street, Resolved that the said Street called Gouverneur Street accepted & established as afd be and the same is hereby continued & established anything in the said Determination of this Board of the 15th July last to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox, De La Montagnie & Coles be a Committee to consider of the expediency of erecting a new City Hall & to report to the Board their Opinion thereon, as also the proper Place, a Plan of the Building, an Estimate of the Expence and in what manner the present City Hall ought to be disposed of

A Request of Wynant Van Zandt Junr to make Vaults in the Street in front of his two new Houses in Broad Way was read & granted

A Estimate & Assessment for raising Magazine Street was read & ratified by the Board And Abm Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies & execute the Work on his giving Bond for the performance in three Months.

[31] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 1st day of April 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Richard Furman Jacob DeLaMontagnie Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections the Board proceeded to the election of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators and Members of Assembly and of a Representative in Congress & the following Persons were duly elected. vizt

1st Ward	2d Ward
Jacob Morton	Anthony L Bleecker
Garret Keteltas	Solomon Simson
William Hilyer	William Henderson
3d Ward	**4th Ward**
John McVickar	George Lindsay
Thomas Tom	James Warner
William Bowne	Jacob Abramse
5th Ward	**6th Ward**
James Roosevelt	Anthony Steenbach
Thomas Brown	Joseph Watkins
Nicholas N Anthony	Joshua Barker

7th Ward

Benjamin Thurston
James Striker
Edward Williams

[32] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests on dead Bodies..	£27:12:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	£92: 4: 4
issd	Bernard & Plumb for lamp Oil.....	£149:14: 9
issd	Latham Bunker for the like.....	£340: 7:—
issd	Wilson Rawson for the like.....	£449: 4: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 7th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Nitchie	
Robert Lenox		Philip Brasher	
		John Crolius	
		Nicholas Carmer	

Whereas this Board did on the 11th day of November last determine & order that the Law for regulating the sale of fire Wood brought to this City should with respect to the length of such Wood be strictly enforced from & after the first day of April then next And it being suggested that great quantities of fire Wood intended for this Market was cut before the making & publishing of the said Order it is deemed expedient to prolong the said time until the first day of August next [33] This Board do accordingly ordain that fire Wood brought to this City, although the same may not be of the length required by the said Law shall and may be sold until the said first day of August next Provided always that the Inspectors of fire Wood do cause each Load of such fire Wood to be so stowed in the Cart as in their Judgment to contain a full and compleat quarter of a Cord.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & De La Montagnie & Mr Crolius be a Committee to revise the subject & report a more effectual Regulation for the sale & cartage of fire Wood

Ordered that Aldn De la Montagne & Lenox & Mr Nitchie be a Committee to determine & direct the Clerk with respect to the Notes given in payment by the purchasors of the Common Lands sold at Auction.

A Letter from James Watson Esqr relative to his Lot of Ground in Pearl Street was read & referred to the Inspectors of Lots.

[34] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday April 11th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Richard Furman, Jotham Post, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Selah Strong

Assistts: Philip Brasher, Mangle Minthorn, John Crolius, Nicholas Carmer, Philip Ten Eyck, Philip J Arcularius, John Nitchie

Two Petitions complaining of Nuisances from Butchers slaughtering Cattle at their own Houses to the annoyance of their Neighbours were read & postponed

On reading Reports of the Street Commissioners & Inspectors of Lots.

Ordinances were passed for paving Reade Street from Broad Way to Ann Street Henry Street, Fayette Street & Harman Street & for digging out Lombard Street Also for filling up & raising certain sunken Lots situate in Front Street, Water Street Fly Market Street, Liberty Street, Pearl Street & Stone Street And for compelling the Proprietors of Water Lots between the Coffee House Slip & Burlings Slip to sink the Wharfs in front on the southerly Line of South Street & to fill in their respective Water Lots.

[35] Ordered that the Treasr provide & pay up the ensuing Installment on this Corporations Shares in the Manhattan Bank.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Silas Parker $198 $^{28}/_{100}$ for Lamp Oil.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 14th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn: Jotham Post, Selah Strong, Richard Furman, Robert Lenox, Jacob De LaMontagnie, John Bogert, John B Coles

Assistts: Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, John Crolius, Philip Ten Eyck

An application of Benjamin Morgan for Compensation for part of his Building taken down to continue front Street to Pecks Slip

was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs] to treat & settle with him

Ordered that the Ald[n] of the 2[d] & the Ald[n] & Assist of the 3[d] Wards be a Committee to enquire into the Regulations of the Fly Market & to report such further Regulations as may be necessary.

[36] A Petition for aid to the Charity School of the German Reformed Church in Nassau Street was read & referred to the Committee on the Subject of Schools

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 7[th] & the Assist of the 5[th] Wards be a Committee to report on the expediency of erecting a new Market at Catharine Slip with a Plan of the Building & an Estimate of the Expence.

Ordered that Jonah Tilly of the 3[d] Ward Grocer be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 25 vice W[m] Post resigned And John Rutzer 2[d] W[d] Shoemaker And Michael Tremper 3[d] Ward Sailmaker vice James Gosman & Rob[t] Sneedon resign'd

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on Acc[t]	$500
iss[d]	W[m] Van Waert for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Ald[n] Bogert for Copies of State Laws	£2: 2:—
iss[d]	John Miles & Israel Haviland for fire Buckets	$1736 41/100

[37] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21[st] day of April 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Richard Furman John Bogert Selah Strong Jacob De laMontagnie Robert Lenox John B Coles	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Philip Brasher John Crolius Philip Minthorn John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius Philip Ten Eyck

Assist[ts]

Peter Hawes lately appointed Coroner of this City & County attended the Board with his Commission which was read & he took the Oaths prescribed by Law & the Charter.

The Committee on the subject of Weigh Masters in this City reported regulations & Fees for the said Office which was read &

approved & the Clerk was directed to prepare an Ordinance agreably thereto.

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of Weigh Masters and Measurers and the following Persons were duly appointed accordingly.

Charles Duryee, Daniel Kemper — Weigh Masters
Nicholas Carmer, Thomas Ogilvie, Jeremiah Marshall — Measurers of Boards Plank & Timber
[38] Abraham Van Gelder, Jasper Stanton, William Heyer, Uzziah Coddington — Measurers of Lime

And the follow^{g} Persons as Measurers of Grain Salt & Coal.

Luke C Quick
William Wamsley
Daniel Van Antwerp
Joseph Earle
Andrew Hegeman
Aaron Howell
Jacob Mott
Samuel Arnet
William Ballard
James Gibson
William Terry
John Wright
Samuel Bleecker
Samuel Milligan
John Cameron

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder on behalf of this Board be authorized to settle with David A Ogden Att^{y} of Isaac Man for his claim against this Board for certain Pine Logs furnished by him on a Contract with the Corporation in iss^{d} the Year 1774, for conveying water through the Streets of this City provided the Ballance on such settlement does not exceed £843: 15/. And that in case of such settlements taking place that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasury for payment of that Sum.

Ordered that George Gosman be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of his new Houses at the Fly Market & also to rebuild the private Drain leading from the Cellars of those Houses to the Common Sewer under the Fly Market.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas^{r} to pay

	Jacob De la Montagne special Justice	$187^{50}/_{100}$
	Theoph^{s} Beekman the like	$187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Bernard O Blenis, Clerk police Office	225
	Conrad Weekman for Lamp Posts	£15: 0: 6
	Michael Brooks for glazing Lamps	£32: 16: 3

[39] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of April 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong Robert Lenox Richard Furman John Bogert Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldermen	Philip Ten Eyck John Crolius Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher John Nitchie — Assists

Mr Mayor informed that the Recorder had made a Settlement with Mr Ogden as Atty for Isaac Man And that agreably to the Order of the last Meeting a Warrant on the Treasury for the ballce due £843:15/ had been issued accordingly.

On reading a Petition of Wm Snyder & John Milledoler Exrs of Daniel Shaffer decd

Ordered that Permission be given them to assign & transfer a Lease, of this Corporation to the said Daniel Shaffer, of Lots No 114 & 115 fronting Chatham Street to David Marsh.

Ordered that Caleb S Riggs Esqr be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Cedar Street

Ordered that James Wendell be appointed a Measurer of Grain.

Ordered that the two Street Commissrs & Mr Crolius be appointed to Assist Gabriel Furman Esqr in obtaining information on the Referrence between this Board & the Heirs of Nichs Roosevelt decd as to Compensation for part of his Land taken to improve Greenwich Street.

[40] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Corporation for the Good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained and Published to be and Continue in force for one year vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday"

"A Law directing the uses of the Public Seals in the City of New York"

"A Law to Regulate the admission of Freemen in the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to Establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Paving and keeping in repair, and to prevent obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York."

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Landing and Sale of Hay in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

[41] "A Law to regulate the Sale and Cartage of Manure, Sand and Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Fees of Weigh Masters and Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to prevent the Ringing or Tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York."

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York."

"A Law to prevent the setting of fences or other obstructions in the River within the limits and Jurisdiction of the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Sale of Horses & to prevent their running loose in the Streets. To prevent racing in the Streets or Highways and to Regulate the passing of Carriages by each other in the City of New York."

The Committee appointed to treat with Benj[a] Morgan respecting the Compensation to be made to him for his Damage in removing his Store to open & continue Front Street to Peeks Slip reported that M[r] Morgan had consented to accept of five hundred Dollars in full Compensation for his Damages & Expences; which was agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that on his executing & delivering to this B[d] a Release of all Claim which he may have ag[t] this Board on any Covenant contained in the Lease to Peter R Kissam of the Lot whereon the said Store was erected M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay him the said Sum accordingly.

[42] On a suggestion that the Judges of the Supreme Court wished to have some improvement made to the Court Room M[r] Nitchie, M[r]

Ten Eyck & Mr Carmer were appointed a Committee to take order for making such Improvements thereto as shall be necessary.

Ordered that William S Leacraft of the 6th Ward Taylor be appointed a fireman to Engine No 15 vice James McMasters removed from this City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil	$1294 3/100
issd	Thoms Hazard for lightg Lamps	£92:11:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$400

[43] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 5th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistt
John B Coles		John Nitchie	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		John Crolius	
Robert Lenox		Philip Brasher	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post			

Mr Mayor & the Members proceeded to visit & inspect the State of the Alms House & Bridewell & being returned.

The auditing Committee reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissrs of the Receipts & Expenditures of the Alms [House] & Bridewell in the last Quarter & found them right

Those of the Alms House amounting to	£3998: 9: 1
Do of the Bridewell	£565:12:11
The Commissioners Estimate for the ensuing Quarter vizt for the Alms House	£5000:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts for payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that Thomas Pinckney, Patrick McGuire & Thomas Bushfield be appointed Measurers of Grain.

[44] Ordered that the supposed Encroachment made by Peter R Livingston by his Building on Broad Way & Beaver St be referred to the Street Commissrs and the Aldn & Assist of the Ward to enquire into & report.

A Petition of Robert Bogardus & others for a Centry Box at the Corner of James & Rutgers Streets was referred to the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that the Law relative to the public Docks & Slips be referred to the Aldⁿ of the 1st 2d & 3d Wards to examine & to report such Amendment as may be necessary.

Aldⁿ Coles on behalf of the Manhattan Cº represented to the Board that they had determined to erect a large Reservoir for the supplying of the City with pure Water and that a Piece of Ground in the highest part of the City in or near the Park was considered as most proper for the purpose He therefore requested that a Committee of this Board should be appointed to meet and confer with the Committee of the Manhattan Company on that subject as to the most proper Place for erecting the said Reservoir, the quantity of Ground required and what reasonable compensation in Return ought to be made to this Board Whereupon the Committee appointed on the 12th June last vizt the Aldermen of the 5th & 6th Wards and the Assistant of the 2d Ward do meet and confer as aforesd with the Committee of the Manhattan Cº & report the Result to this Board

[45] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Rinier Skaats for ballce due him on his Acct for Fewel for the City Hall & Watch Houses.....	£3:19:—
issd	The same on Acct for the like.....	$500
issd	David Marshall for superintends the public burying Gd..	£22:14:—
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court for their Services....	$456
issd	Charles Dickenson late Coroner for Inquests on dead Bodies	£10:10:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of May 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Selah Strong		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		John Crolius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		John Nitchie	
Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		Philip Ten Eyck	

On the Request of the Managers of the State Road Lottery Ordered that they have the use of the Great Court Room for the drawing of the said Lottery.

[46] A Petition of the Butchers in the Fly Market complaining of the want of Room by the present arrangement of their Stalls was read & rejected

Ordered that Jon[a] Conrey pay the ballance remaining in his Hands on the Assessment for paving James Street to Ald[n] Jotham Post to be by him distributed amongst the Proprietors of the Lots front[s] such parts of the Street which was left unpaved, by Peter Hardenbrook, & which has since been paved at their private Expence after having paid their respective Assessments.

A Petition of D[r] Nicholas Romaine for a Grant of the Soil under Water in front of his Land at Corlears Hook or to make Improvements thereon was read & rejected.

A Petition for digging out Montgomery Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Divie Bethune & Hector Scott for Grants of the Soil from High to Low Water Mark in the River in front of their Land at Greenwich was read & the Board determined it inexpedient to grant at present

On reading a Letter from D[r] Tillery Resident Physician recommending the erection of two small Buildings near the Marine Hospital, for the accommodation of Poor Persons who may be afflicted with the Epedemic Fever in the City, iss[d] the expence of which Buildings is estimated at £100; the Board direct that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay Ald[n] Richard Furman Health Officer that Sum to be applied under his Direction, to that purpose accordingly

[47] Ordered that Ald[n] Lenox & the two Street Commiss[rs] examine the State of Bell Vue Hospital & report to the Board what further Provision is necessary to be made

The Proprietors of the Land commonly called the Negro's burying Ground having executed to the Board Releases of all the Ground to the South of Chambers Street the Board accordingly this Day examined & approved a Release from this Board to the said Proprietors of the Ground on the North side of the said Street as also of three certain Lots in the vicinity (as the same is discribed & fully explained in the Reports of the Committee on the 27[th] June & 19[th] July 1796) whereupon it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Release & that M[r] Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed Fire Men viz[t]

Engine N[o] 13 John E Ruckle 4[th] W[d] Baker & Thomas Pryor Sail-maker vice Dan[l] Waldron & James Pritchet resigned

N[o] 10 Aaron Place 7[th] W[d] Milkman & Nich[s] Steele 7[th] W[d] Butcher vice John Fitzgarly & Thomas Wellings resigned.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	The S[t] Commiss[rs] on Acc[t] towards the Repairs to the B[d] Street Com. Sewer	$250
iss[d]	The Clerks at the late Gen[l] Election	$112
iss[d]	Hugh Gobel for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	W[m] Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

[48] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19[th] day of May 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Esq[rs] Ald[n]: Selah Strong, John B Coles, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Jotham Post, John Bogert, Richd Furman

Assist[ts]: Nicholas Carmer, Philip Brasher, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, John Crolius, Philip Ten Eyck, John Nitchie

A Petition of Sam[l] Bowne for Relief on a Suit brought against him on the Building Law was read & rejected.

Ordered that Andrew Norwood & Joseph Meeks be appointed Measurers

Petitions of Charles Duryee & Dan[l] Kemper lately appointed Weigh Masters for an Alteration, in their favor, of the Regulation of their Office; was read & rejected.

A Petition of W[m] Stewart for permission to vend Baskets of his own Manufactory in the Fly Market was read & referred to the Committee on the Fly Market

On reading a Petition for filling up the Slip at the lower end of Broad Street It was ordered that it be filled up to forty feet from the South side of South S[t] And that the S[t] Commissioners take order for the doing of it.

[49] Two Petitions, one for & the other against the removal of the Broad Street Market House to the Old Slip were read & referred to Ald[n] De La Montagnie & the S[t] Commiss[rs]

On a reconsideration of the Recommendations of the Board to

Mr Mayor on the 27th Jany last relative to the granting of Tavern Licences, the Board rescind that part which advises the withholding Licences from all such as may not have resided in this City two Years.

A Petition for a Watchman at the upper end of the Broad Way was read; which together with the Petition of Robert Bogardus & others for the like in James's Street was referred to Aldn De La Montagnie & the St Commissrs

On a Complaint agt Halsey Mead Butcher for neglecting to attend his Business at his Standing in the Market Ordered that his Licence be suspended.

Ordered that if any Licensed Butcher shall neglect his personal Attendance at his Stall or Standing or shall neglect to provide the same with a regular & sufficient supply of good Meats for the space of fourteen Days, or shall place himself in the Street, among the Country People or others, to sell his Meat, or shall employ or suffer his Apprentice or Servant so to do, such Butcher shall forfeit his Standing & Licence and the same shall be granted to another.

Mr Recorder suggested to the Board certain Regulations on the subject of the Watchmen & Lamps which was referred to Aldermen Coles & De La Montagnie with the aid of Mr Recorder to revise particularly as to the number & Character of the Watchmen

[50] The Committee on the subject of public free Schools made the following Report "That they have examined the Account of the Chamberlain & find that there has been received from the State 10345 Dollars & from the City & County of New York 4720 Dollars making in the aggregate 15065 Dollars for those Establishments. That there has been paid to the different free Schools by orders of the Corporation the Sum of 3840 Dollars; which leaves a Ballance in their Hands of 11225 Dolls That by a Law of the State the one sixth part of this Sum which is 1870 $\frac{84}{100}$ Dolls is to be distributed among the different free Schools; Your Committee therefore recommend a distribution of this Sum among them in proportion to the number of Scholars each School contains viz^{t}

The Episcopal Church	86	Scholars	.....	$404 20
The Presbyterian do	50	do	.....	235 6
The Dutch Church	72	do	.....	338 40
German Lutheran do	20	do	.....	94 6
Scotch Presbyterian do	30	do	.....	141 6
Methodist do	30	do	.....	141 6
African School	110	do	.....	517
				$1870 84

The Committee further report this Sum of 1870 $^{8}/_{100}$ Dollars to be paid to the diff^{t} Schools deducted from the whole Sum in hand will leave a Ball^{ce} of 9334 $^{16}/_{100}$ Doll^{s} that there is due from the State 13255 Doll^{s} and from the City & County of New York 7080 Dollars which Sums amount to 20335 Doll^{s} This Sum when received with the Sum in hand will make 29689 $^{16}/_{100}$ Dollars to be appropriated to the use of free Schools. The disposal of this Sum is left to the [51] Corporation; and the Committee take the liberty of suggesting whether the establishing one or more free Schools upon as liberal & extensive a Plan as the Funds will admit of would not be adviseable or whether it would be more adviseable to encrease the support by vesting the Ball^{ce} in the Funds of the United States or some other equally or more productive."

Jotham Post
John Crolius Jun^{r}
Nich^{s} Carmer

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay the Sums mentioned in the said Report for the use of the free Schools accordingly.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Coles & Strong with the Treasurer enquire & report to the Board the most proper Fund for vesting the said Monies agreable to the said Report

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 3 Evert Bogardus 2^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice John Farrington resigned

d^{o} N^{o} 13 Timothy Nostrand 3^{d} Ward Grocer vice John Lent resigned

d^{o} N^{o} 16 John R Mesier 4th W^{d} Grocer vice Joseph Newton appoint^{d} fire Warden

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Justices of the Police Office on Acc^{t} towards Relief of S^{t} Domingo Refugees	$100
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$500
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Coles on Acc^{t} towards filling in Cuylers Water Lot	$300
iss^{d}	Jenkins & Sons for Lamp Oil	1289^{53}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	8^{8}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary & Disbursem^{ts}	61^{12}/_{100}$

[52] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th May 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John B Coles Robert Lenox Selah Strong Richard Furman John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Philip Brasher Philip J Arcularius Philip Ten Eyck Nichs Carmer	Assistts

Charles Duryee, by his Letter read this day, having declined to accept the Office of Weigh Master Fletcher M Beekman was appointed in his stead.

A Petition of Halsey Mead, Butcher to be restored to his Licence was read & granted.

A Petition of James Reading Butcher to be released from the payment of the Ballance due on the purchase Money of his Standing was read & rejected.

A Petition for a regulation of certain Streets in the 6th Ward was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Aldn Coles & Strong & Mr Arcularius be a Committee to enquire into the Subject & to report a more œconomical Plan for lighting the public Lamps by contract or otherwise

On a representation of the Co of fire Engine No 1 that James Riker had neglected to do his duty as a fireman Ordered that he be displaced & that Lawrence Moore of the [53] 6th Ward Carpenter be appointed in his stead

Ordered that Aldn Coles & the Street Commissrs agree with some Person for a Contract to erect a Bridge across Bensons Creek at Harlem & report the same to the Board.

Ordered that James Spier 4th Wd Blacksmith be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice Thomas Pryor who has joined an Engine.

The two following Reports were read and agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee to whom it was referred to consider of Certain Resolutions proposed for the better Government of the Watch of this City, beg leave to recommend to the Common Council the following regulations.

1st That the several Captains of the Watch shall on the third Monday in every Month return to the Board a correct List of their

several Companies Containing the Names, Ages, Occupations, Places of Birth and Places of abode, of the several persons who Compose the same specifying therein the Streets and Numbers of the Houses (if Numbered) where the Watchmen reside and that such Reports be as nearly as may be in the form annexed.

2d That No Aliens shall be employed as Watchmen.

3d That the Captains in their said Reports shall State if any of their Company have been Occasionally absent with the Causes of such absence and the Names and Descriptions of the persons who performed the Duty of the Absentees upon such Occasions.

4th That it be the Duty of the Aldermen and Assistants to examine as to the Characters of the Watchmen who reside in their Several Wards and their fitness to be employed in such Capacity.

5th That the Aldermen and Assistants of the Wards in which the Watch Houses are or may be situated do once at least in every Month without any previous [54] Notice thereof, at such Hours of the Night as they may think proper, repair to the said Watch Houses, and by proper Enquiries satisfy themselves that the said Companies are employed as their duty may require.

6th That the Captains of the Watch shall keep a Register of everything material that Occurs during the Night and shall report the same in the Morning to the Magistrates of Police

7th That it be enjoined upon the several Watchmen by their Captains to give Information to them if any of the Lamps have not been lighted or have not continued to burn during those Nights in which they ought to have been lighted that an Enquiry may be instituted as to the Causes of such Defaults which are to be Stated in the Reports of the Captains to the Magistrates of Police.

Rich: Harison
Jno B. Coles
Jacob De La Montagnie

"The Committee to whom were referred the Applications of several Citizens to have stands of Watchmen in several parts of this City report as follows vizt That they have obtained returns from the Captains of the Watch of the several Stands of Watchmen belonging to the several Watch Houses in this City and after maturely considering the Subject are of Opinion that the Watchman stationed at the Corner of Bayard and Mott Street be removed to the Corner of Division and Rutgers Streets. That the Watchman stationed at Stevens Store be removed to James Street and that one of the Watchmen

stationed at the Debtors Prison be removed to the upper part of Broadway in the Sixth Ward of this City.

Jacob De La Montagnie
New York May 26th 1800 John Bogert
Richd Furman

[55] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the Common Sewer making at the lower end of Broad Street.....	$500
issd	John Furman for printg Ordinances.....	£24:17:—
issd	Wm Van Waert for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	$229 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
John B Coles		Nicholas Carmer	
Jotham Post		John Crolius	
Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Philip J Arcularius	
Richard Furman		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorne	

Ordered that the Treasr make the usual Settlement with the Collectors of Taxes in the several Wards & report the same to the Board at the next Meeting to the end that the Board may be enabled to determine on the Sums necessary to be raised this Year

The Board determine that the Block or Piece of Ground on part of which the new Watch House is erected is situate in the 5th Ward.

[56] A Petition of John Remsen & others for one or more Piers, to be run out in the River, between the Whitehall Slip & the Broad Street Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee & Aldn Coles.

A Petition of Henry Carrier to be licensed as a Butcher & to have the Stand No 36 Fly Market was read & granted.

Ordered that William Nielson & Henry Rogers be permitted to make Vaults & Areas to their respective Houses in Water & Cortlandt Streets.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs with the Aldn & Assist of the 6th Wds enquire into the Character of such Aliens as may be employed as City Watchmen and that they direct such as they may deem worthy of the Trust to be continued in service.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Abm Stagg for so much assessed on the Corporation for filling in Magazine Street.....	£19:10: 3
issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the Common Sewer in Broad St & the Bridge across Benson's Creek at Harlem	$1000
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	Gabriel Furman Esqr as an additional Allowance to him for his Services as Health Commissr last Year.....	$250

[57] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 10th day of June 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Selah Strong, Jacob De LaMontagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman, John B Coles

Assists: Philip Brasher, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, John Crolius, John Nitchie

Mr Mayor produced to the Board a Warrant of the Auditor of this State on the State Treasurer to pay to the order of this Board the Sum of $12368 Dollars to be applied to the discharging of the following unpaid Accounts for Fortifications vizt

	$	Cts
Jacob Smith	254	16
John Banker	143	56
Gerardus Deforest	17	50
Underhill & Townsend.....	10	23
Thomas & James Stevenson.....	11	56
John Avery	4	6
Cornelius Brinckerhoff	30	—
George Dominick	25	30
John Hooglandt	69	6
Mercantl Advertizer	2	37
John Videtto	107	86
Commissrs of the Alms House.....	603	—
Henry Rutgers	53	27
Fred: & Phil. Rhinelander.....	96	96
Street Commissrs	265	—
Seth R Kneeland.....	1032	75

	$	Cts
Brought forward	2726	64
[58] Peter Caruth	1785	4
Joseph F Mangin	235	—
Eugene Lucett & Co	44	61
Smyth Batchelor & Barton	1507	80
Peter Schermerhorn	130	84
James Riker	8	25
Kenneth McKenzie	406	52
Thomas Smyth	3	—
John Martin	171	75
Ebenezer Stevens	4625	7
Gabriel Furman	426	4
Dolls	12368	—

Ordered that an Order under the Common Seal and subscribed by Mr Mayor be made on the State Treasurer to pay the said Monies to Aldn John Bogert to be by him applied in the discharge of the said Accts accordingly.

Petitions of several Persons to continue to vend Coffee in the Street at the Fly Market was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Dickey Master of the Brigt Washington from Cork praying Relief on a Suit brought against him for neglecting to report his Passengers according to Law; was read & rejected

An Ordinance was passed for filling up the Slip at the End of Broad Street to within 40 feet of the South side of South Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Joseph Webb for repairs Lamps	£4: 12: —
issd	Hugh Gaine for his prints Acct	£575: 10: —

[59] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
John B Coles		John Nitchie	
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Crolius	
Robert Lenox		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		Philip Ten Eyck	

Petitions of the follows Masters of Ships vizt John Gore, William Scott, Thos Holden Laban Gardiner, William Moores, Christn Whipple, William H Nicholls & Francis Hill praying Relief on Suits brought against them for neglecting to report their Passengers were read And it was determined and ordered that on their entering into Bonds with Surety to indemnify the City against the Support of such of the said Passengers as shall be named by the Mayor the said Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be permitted to make such Alteration in the pavement of Broad Way & Pine Street as in his Judgement will improve the said Streets.

A Petition for regulating Duane Street between Greenwich & Washington Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs.

[60] Ordered that two Watchmen be stationed at the Debtors Gaol.

A Representation by Gilbert Golding & Geo. Hyler of misconduct & neglect in the management of Hoboock Ferry was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the 4th Ward.

Ordered that John Hooglandt be allowed payment for one lost fire Bucket

An Acct of Ezekiel Robins for his Services as a Commissr of the Health Office in the Year 1798 was presented & referred to the Street Commissrs & the Aldn & Assist of the 2d Ward.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to use the necessary Means for compelling the Persons named in the Statute passed the 9th April 1795, entitled "An Act for continuing & extending Bancker Street in the 5th Ward of the City of New York into Pearl Street & for widening Beaver Lane in the 1st Ward of the said City," to a faithful discharge of the Duties required of them in & by the said Statute.

Ordered that the Treasurer do obtain Lists from the Collectors of Taxes, of the Persons who have neglected or refused to pay, that Warrants for the immediate collection may be issued.

Ordered that the Capt^{s} of the City Watch may continue to employ such Aliens as have been employed for some time past and are noted & recommended in their Returns made this day as faithful & deserving Characters.

[61] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23^{d} day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De la Montagnie Selah Strong John Bogert Richard Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher John Nitchie John Crolius Philip J Arcularius	Assist^{ts}

M^{r} Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received from Samuel L Mitchel LLD Professor of Nat: Hist: Chemistry & Agriculture in Columbia College, in which he recommends the use of Lime Stone in the erection of Buildings & paving Streets in this City to promote the Health thereof; which was read & considered by the Board; And thereupon Resolved that the said Letter be published for the Information of the Public And that M^{r} Mayor be requested on behalf of this Board to thank D^{r} Mitchell for his Zeal & Attention evidenced in the Communications contained in his said Letter and that they will be happy to receive such further Communications as he shall think proper to offer on the subject of the Health of this City.

[62] The follow^{s} Report of the Street Commiss^{rs} was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

" The Street Commiss^{rs} to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Saunders & others relative to the regulating & filling Chappel, Church, Catharine & Thomas Streets;

Report that they have examined the Streets mentioned in the Petition and are of Opinion that the Prayer thereof ought to be granted and that they have caused Surveys to be made which they herewith present to the Board They further Report that they have examined Duane Street from Greenwich Street to Washington Street and are of Opinion it would be proper to pass an Ordinance for paving the same agreably to the Prayer of the Petitioners. They would also recommend the passing an Ordinance for digging out & paving first Street from Division to Fisher Street agreably to a Survey heretofore made by the City Surveyors and also Greenwich Street from Provoost to Watts Street agreably to a Survey herewith presented.

They would further beg leave to represent that a part of Roosevelt Street from Cherry Street to Water Street is in a filthy & broken situation and in their Opinion ought to be repaired at the Expence of the Board."

The follows are the Regulations of the Streets mentioned in the aforegoing Report & agreed to by the Board.

[63] Regulation of Thomas Street

From the East side of Church Street to the Intersection of Chapel Street with a descent of 2 $\frac{7}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet—and from Chapel Street to the Intersection line of Hudsons Street with an ascent of 1 $\frac{6}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet—In consequence of this Regulation the Intersection line of Church Street and Thomas Street is to be dug 2 feet 6 Inches below a certain Stake fixed for a Mark and at the extent of 140 feet it requires digging 10 Inches further along at the extent of 103 feet 6 Inches it requires raising 4 feet 7 Inches being the Intersection of the pump further along 92 feet it requires raising 8 feet 5 Inches further along 131 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 6 feet 9 Inches being the Intersection line of Chapel Street Thence with an ascent of 1 $\frac{6}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet to the Intersection line of Hudsons Street at the Extent of 94 feet it requires raising 1 feet 8 Inches—further along 151 feet—raising 6 feet 3 Inches—further along 95 feet it requires raising 1 foot—being the Intersection line of Hudson's Street

Regulation of Greenwich Street from the pavement at Provoost Street to Watts Street

Descent from the pavement at Provoost Street to Moore Str: with 1½ Inch on 10 feet—it requires in a distants (from the south side of Provoost Street) of 152 feet 6 Inches—1 foot 3 I. digging further along at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches [64] being the south side of Moore Street—digging 1 foot 3 Inches Thence with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the midle of the Blocks—and descent again with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the nex[t] Street—it requires from Moore Street at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches—raising 9 Inches—further along 87 feet 6 Inches to the south side of Beach Street it requires raising 3 Inches—further along from the North side of Beach Street 100 feet it requires raising 2 feet 11 Inches—at the extent of 100 feet to Hubert Street it requires raising 10 Inches further along from the North side of Hubert Street 87 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 2 feet—further along 87 feet 6 Inches to Vestry Street it requires raising 1 foot 6 Inches—Thence from Vestry Street at the Extent of

87 feet 6 Inches, it requires raising 5 feet 10 Inches—at the Extent of 87 [feet] 6 Inches raising 5 feet 6 Inches—being the south side of Laight Street—Thence from the North side of Laight Street at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 2 feet 10 Inches—Thence with a regular descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Desbrosses Street and Watts Street—it requires at the extent of 87 feet 6 Inches raising 4 feet 6 Inches being the south side of Desbrosses Street—Thence from this south side of Desbrosses Street at the extent of 152 feet 6 Inches it requires raising 1 foot 2 Inches further along at the extent of 87 feet 6 Inches to the [65] south side of Watts Street it will remain as it is now

Regulation of Church Street

From the North side of Barley Street to the Intersection of Catharine Street—From the pavement at Barley Street with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Extent of 100 feet—thence descending with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Intersection of Thomas Street and Catharine Street—In Consequence of this at the Extent of 108 feet it requires raising 2 feet 5 Inches—at the Intersection line of Thomas Street it requires digging 2 feet 6 Inches below the surface of a stake made for a mark—thence with an descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Intersection Line of Catharine Street, where it requires digging 1 foot 2 Inches—below the Surface of a stake fixed for a mark

Regulation of Catharine Street from the Intersection line of Broad Way to the Intersection Line of Chapel Street with a descent of 2 $\frac{7}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet—and from Chapel Street to the Intersection of Hudson Street with an ascent of 1 $\frac{4}{10}$ Inch on 10 feet. In consequence of this the Intersection line of Broad Way and Catharine Street is to be dig 6 Inches at the extent of 57 feet further dig 8 feet 9 Inches—further to an Extent of 71 feet dig 14 feet 8 Inches—at the extent of 57 feet further dig 12 feet 8 Inches at the extent of 56 feet further dig 7 feet 4 Inches—at the extent of 77 feet further dig 1 foot 10 Inches—at the extent of 107 feet further digging 1 foot 2 Inches being the Intersection of the East side [66] of Church Street—From thence further along 192 feet it requires raising 1 foot—further along 165 feet it requires raising 4 feet 10 Inches—further along to the Intersection Line of Chapel Street raising 4 feet. Thence with an ascent of 1 $\frac{4}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet—at the extent of 194 feet it requires raising 6 feet—further along 128 feet raising 7 feet 6 Inches—further along 114 feet raising 7 Inches being the Intersection Line of Hudson Street

Regulation of Chapel Street from the Intersection Line of Barley Street to the North side of Catharine Street with a descent of 1 5/10 Inch on 10 feet In consequence of this from the pavement in Barley Street at the Extent of 75 feet it requires raising 5 feet 5 Inches at the Intersection Line of Thomas Street 6 feet 9 Inches raising—further along 120 feet it requires raising 5 feet 3 Inches further along to the Intersection Line of Catharine Street it requires raising 4 feet.

Ordinances for digging out raising & paving the said Streets agreable to the said Regulations were passed by the Board accordingly

A Petition of Robert Rea & John Beete proposing to establish an Office to facilitate the finding of any Ship or Vessel lying at the Wharfs of this City was read & the Board determined that, although they approved the Measure, they had not legal authority to enforce any Regulation which might be made on the subject

[67] The Inspectors of Lots recommended to the Board the passing an Ordinance requiring the Proprietors of the following Lots to cause their respective Cellars & Privies to be filled up by the 15th July next under the Penalty of fifty Dollars for each neglect

The Privy on Lots N° 57 & 59 in Roosevelt Street Owned by Seth R Kneeland

the like on Lot N° 14 in Bancker Street same Owner,

the like on Lot N° 83 Murray S^{t}—Widow Bates

the like on Lot N° 27 Oliver S^{t}—John M^{c}Lean

the like on Lot N° 9—Chambers S^{t} Dan^{l} Burger

The Cellar of House N° 142 Pearl S^{t} owned by Isaac Gomez

The Yard on Lot N° 86 James S^{t} John Meyers

The Celler of N° 93 James S^{t} Richard Hallet

The Cellar of N° 30 Rutgers S^{t} & the Privy on said Lot—Henry Pope Owner

And an Ordinance was passed according^{ly}

The Committee on the Subject of a more œconomical System for the Alms House delivered in a lengthy Report; which was read and ordered to be printed in a Supplement to the News Papers to be delivered to the subscribers in the City & 50 Copies for the use of the Members of this Board And the further Consideration was postponed 'till the 14th July next

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Fayette Street was ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Tho^{s} Whytlaw & George Walton to pave the said Street, all of them to enter into Bonds for performance

[68] A Petition of the Bakers complains of the Assize of Bread; was read & referred to Aldn Dela Montagnie Strong & Mr Nitchie

A Petition for paving the BroadWay at the Hospital was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Ordered that the Market Law be so amended as to prevent the Butchers from keeping as well as selling any Meat in the public Markets after the Hour limited by the said Law

A Petition of Robert Giles for Relief on a Suit brought against him, on the Law for regulating Buildings, as Builder of a certain House for Saml Bowne; was read & referred to Aldn De la Montagnie to enquire into the Facts & report the same to the Board.

Ordered that Aldn Coles & Lenox & Mr Nitchie be a Committee to confer & treat with the Proprietors of the Lots. required to be taken in pursuance of the Statute entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to purchase certain Houses & Lots of Ground which are in such a State as to endanger the health of the City," and to report the same to the Board.

Ordered that the Treasurer discharge as much of the ballce due from this Board to the Manhattan Company on their Shares as the State of the Treasury will a[d]mit of and that he report to the Board the ballce remaining to be paid.

[69] Ordered that John Ferguson 7th Wd Brewer be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 23 vice Henry Verveelen resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wts on the Treasurer to pay:

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct	$800
issd	Jacob Harsen on Acct for Roads	$500
issd	Hugh Gobel for Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 30th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Nichs Carmer	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Robert Lenox		John Crolius	

A Petition of Ustace & Underhill & several others praying that *that* the Hucksters & others may be so removed as to leave a Carriage passage open through front Street at the Fly Market was read & referred to the Comtee on that Subject.

[70] A Petition of the Congregation of Sheareth Israel for a part of the public burying Ground for the particular use of their Congregation was read & postponed

Aldn De la Montagnie reported a State of Facts on the subject of Robert Giles's Petition read at the last Meeting and it was ordered that the half of the Penalty to which he will be subject on the Suit brought agt him under the Building Law, be remitted to him.

Ordered that Robert Benson & John McComb Junr be permitted to make Area's to their respective Houses building in Robinson St

The Board took *to* into consideration the situation of Capt Dickey confined in Goal on a prosecution for not reporting his Passengers according to Law and thereupon ordered that the Suit against him be discontinued on paymt of Costs

Ordered that Samuel Day 5th Ward Carpenter be appointed a Fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 2 vice Solomon Pancoast resigned.

Ordered that as an Amendmt to the Law for regulating the Sale of fire Wood, the followg Clause be added.

Provided always & be it further ordained that after the first day of August next All fire Wood brought to this City may be sold & carted, although the same be not of the length required by Law And that the Inspectors shall [71] cause so much of such Wood to be put on the Cart as in their Judgment to make a full & compleat quarter of a Cord

Ordered that a Bond from this Board to the Manhattan Company be made out for $37500 payable with Interest at six per Ct the same being for the Ballance due from this Board on their 2000 Shares in the

said Company—that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps.....	£93:14: 1
issd	Moses Judah for copg Tax Book 3d Wd.....	$15

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of July 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
John B Coles
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Selah Strong
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorn
John Crolius
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Philip Ten Eyck
} Assistts

A Petition for leave to erect a Market House at Brennans Street* near Greenwich Street was read & referred to the Street Comrs & the Assistt of the 7th Ward.

[72] The Committee on the Petition of the Bakers reported "That having met a Committee from the Bakers in this City and having heard all their reasoning on the subject, they are of Opinion that perhaps the only Mode this Board can adopt to afford Relief to the Petitioners and the Citizens at large would be to regulate in future the weight of Bread only and not the Price, leaving that to the Bakers. This would create an Emulation among the Bakers and would of course produce good Bread and in the Opinion of the Committee at a reasonable Price. The Committee are further of Opinion that all Loaf Bread baked for sale should be of the weight of one Pound and an half and of three Pounds and that any Loaf Bread offered for sale of a less weight should be liable to seizure and the Baker fined.

July 14th 1800 Jacob De la Montagnie
Selah Strong

Ordered that the Clerk prepare a Law agreable to the said Report

A Petition of John Staples for a Regulation of the East Line of the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Anthony Dey be permitted to make a Vault in front of his House in Cedar Street

Ordered that the Report of the Committee on the Subject of the Alms House & Bridewell be further postponed 'till 1st Augt

* Marginal note reads *since Spring Street.*—Ed.

[73] Ordered that in future the licensed Butchers may be permitted from the first July to the first November to sell their Meat, North of the Line mentioned in the annual City Tax Law, in Carts or at their Houses; On the express Condition however that they account on Oath for the established Market Fees to the Clerk of the Market as often as he shall require the same.

Ordered that John M^{c}Intyre of the 6th W^{d} Taylor be a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 1 vice Matthias Nack resigned.

Ordered that one of the Watchmen stationed at Hester Street be placed at the Debtors Gaol and that the Watchman lately removed from the Corner of Catharine Lane and placed at the Gaol be returned to his former station.

Ordered that the Treasurer make an immediate settlement with the Collector of Taxes in the seventh Ward

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	The S^{t} Commissioners on Acc^{t}	$1250
iss^{d}	David Marshall superintend^{t} of the public burying Ground	£17: 6: —
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for the ringing of the Bells on the anniversary of Independence	19^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Jacob De la Montagnie one of the special Justices for 3 M^{ths} Services	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Theoph^{s} Beekman the like for the like	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk of D^{o}	$225
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

[74] Nich^{s} Carmer the following Sums for the follow^{g} Acc^{ts} viz^{t}

	Repairs at Belle Vue Hospital	£5: 9: 6
	the like at the public bury^{g} G^{d}	£21: 0: 6
	the like at the Park	£16: 10: —
	the like at the Battery	£6: 13: 10
	the like on fire Engine Houses	£14: 17: 9
	the like at the Markets	£49: 13: 8
iss^{d}	the like at the Slips & Wharfs	£79: 6: 7
	the like at the City Hall	£29: 10: 4
	the like at the Bridewell	£67: 8: 2
	the like at the Alms House	£461: 16: 11
	the like at the Gaol	£89: 10: 7
	the like on Wells & Pumps	£288: 16: 5
	For his Services	$308

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 22d day of July 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Nitchie	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Robert Lenox		Philip J Arcularius	

On a Report of the Street Commissrs the Board consent that the neighborhood be permitted to erect a Market House of forty feet wide & twenty feet long in Brennans Street, west of Greenwich Street, provided the proprietors of the Lots on each side extend the Breadth of [75] *of* the said Street to eighty feet And on the like report the Board direct that the Street Commissrs take order for rendering Greenwich Street passable and also that they report a Regulation for paving the said Street

Ordered that Gerrit Gilbert & James Thompson be permitted to make Areas to their respective Houses in Broadway

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Harman Street was ratified by the Bd & Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Thomas Whytlaw & George Walton to pave the said Street.

The like for Reade Street & John Pier Groshon was appointed to collect & Abm Stagg to pave as aforesaid

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Joseph Tyler for a public Dinner on the 14th July Inst...	$138
issd	E: Beldon & Co for printing	$37 59/100

[76] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of July 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jacob DeLa Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Selah Strong		John Crolius	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles			

A Petition of several Butchers to take the Water of the Manhattan Company into the Fly Market for their use: was read & granted under the Direction of the Committee for regulating that Market

The Clerk reported to the Board a new Law "to regulate the quality and weight of Loaf Bread in this City"; which was read & passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

The Board took into consideration the allowance which ought to be made to the two Commissioners of Streets & Roads for their Services and it was determined that they be allowed at the rate of One thousand Dollars each per annum

The Committee on the Fly Market to whom was referred the Petition of Ustace & Underhill and others reported as their Opinion that it would be expedient that all such Persons as are commonly denominated Hucksters and [77] who stand below the lower Meat Market be removed and that the Clerk of the Market provide them with Stands opposite to the Meat Markets; which was agreed to by the Board.

And it was determined & ordered by the Board that in future all such Regulations be made by & comitted to the Clerk of the Market.

An Ordinance was passed for paving the Broad Way from the present Pavement to Leonard Street.

Ordered that the Law relative to the public Slips & Wharfs be referred to Ald^{n} Coles Lenox & Strong to revise & report to the Board.

Ordered that Andrew Simmons of the 6th W^{d} Cartman be a fireman to Engine N^{o} 23 vice Elisha Pinckney resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The S^{t} Commiss^{rs} on Acc^{t}	$1000
iss^{d}	Thos Hazard for light^{s} Lamps	£91:15:—
iss^{d}	Office of Daily Advertizer	£15:—:—
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 4th July Inst.	$157 25
iss^{d}	David Waldron for Roads	£247:18: 7
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

[78] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th Augt 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Nitchie	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Selah Strong		Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Hs The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on a new System for the Alms House & after some time spent on the subject the further consideration thereof was postponed 'till this day fortnight

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell of the time assigned as aforesaid and request of them to communicate to this Board such Observations as in their Opinion will tend to improve the System recommended by the Committee in the said Report

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell [79] for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers & found them just & right

Those of the Alms House amounts to..... £3357: 0: 8
& Those of the Bridewell to..... £599: 6: 9

issd An Estimate of the Commissrs for the Alms House the ensuing Quarter amounts to $7500 was approved & it was ordered that a Warrt for payment thereof be issued accordingly

A Petition of Saml Herbert for Relief agt a Suit brought for not reporting his Passengers according to Law; was read & it was ordered that the said Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

On an Invitation from the Faculty of Columbia College the Board agree to meet to Morrow to join the Procession at the annual Commencement

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed firemen vizt

Wm Handcock of the 2d Wd Cabt Maker & John Walker 4th Wd Cooper (to Hook & Ladder Co No 1) vice Saml L Page & Nevin Willson resigned.

To Engine N° 9 Rob^{t} M Brett 2^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice Aaron Pell resigned & John Reid 2^{d} W^{d} Bookbinder vice Obad^{h} Holmes dec^{d}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$468
iss^{d}	Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquests.....	$116 25
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

[80] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Aug^{t} 13th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Selah Strong
Richard Furman
John Bogert
John B Coles
} Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

A Communication by Jon^{a} Dayton & Aaron Ogden on the subject of Slippage & requesting Permission to erect a Wharf or Pier on the West side of the White Hall Slip for the exclusive use of the Ferry Boats from Staten Island & Elizabeth Town was read & the Clerk was directed to inform them that the Slips being already farmed out no Measures could be taken on the subject at present

An Estimate & Assessment for paving 1st Street from Division Street to Fishers Street was ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect & receive the Monies assessed and George Walton to pave the s^{d} Street

Ordered that Richard Ten Eyck be appointed Inspector of Loaf Bread offered for sale in this City

The Board determine & order that to continue Rector Street of it's breadth to the Broad Way parcel of the Ground appertaining to the old Lutheran Church & now belonging to the United German Lutheran Church [81] is required and it is ordered that the Street Commiss^{rs} treat with the Proprietors of the Ground so required as to the Price to be given for the same.

[82] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldermen	John Crolius Junr	Assistants
Selah Strong		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Jotham Post		Philip Ten Eyck	

A Petition of John L Norton respecting Certain Lots situate in Moore Street praying to be relieved from Certain Judgments obtained against him for not filling up the said Lots was read and postponed.

A Petition of John Rayner of Kings County Butcher praying that the stand No 61. in the fly Market now holden by Andrew Ross who is unable longer to follow his Business be granted to him was read and postponed.

An Estimate and Assessment for Paving Duane Street from Greenwich Street to Washington Street was read and approved Ordered that John Pier Groshon be the Collector and that John McComb do the Work of the same

Ordered that in all cases of Work to be performed for the Corporation by any person or persons whomsoever he or they shall give Security for the due performance of the same.

A Petition from the Inhabitants and Proprietors of Houses and Lots of Ground in Catharine, Church and Leonard Streets Praying that a pump might be erected at the North West Corner of the Hospital Yard in the intersection of Catharine and Church Streets or in such other place near the same as the Board may Judge proper was read and Granted under the direction of Mr Carmer

[83] A Communication from the Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell of the City of New York was read and postponed until the Report of the Committee on the Alms House and Bridewell is taken into Consideration.

Ordered that George Gosman and others stand in the place of Edward Livingston with respect to Certain Lots in Hudsons River from high to Low Water mark as by referrence to the proceedings of this Board of the 9th November 1797 may Appear

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The Street Commissioners on Account of the Exchange Slip Sewer				$800
issd	Rinier Skaats for one Quarters Allowance & disbursements				57:12
issd	Magnes Beekman one of the Captains of the City Watch for the Watchmen				155:31
issd	Hugh Goble	do	do	do	155:31
issd	William Van Wart	do	do	do	213: 6
issd	Nicholas Lawrence	do	do	do	213: 6

A Communication from Doctr Mitchell respecting Sinks and Privies in the City was read and Considered by the Board—Ordered that Alderman Coles be requested to thank the Doctor on behalf of this Board for his Attention to the promotion of the Health of this City and that he be requested to alter the same Communication in such manner that it may be published for the information of the Citizens

Ordered that a publication be made in the News Papers that proposal's Sealed up will be received at the Clerks Office in the City Hall until the 27th instant for the fees of Wharfage and Slippage from the 1st September next to the 1st May 1802.

[84] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
John B. Coles		Nicholas Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldermen	John Crolius Junr	Assistants
Selah Strong		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	

A Petition of Andrew Van Deursen of the City of New York Butcher praying that a stand might be given him in the Market now Building at the foot of Catharine Street instead of his stand No 32 in the fly Market was read and postponed

A Petition of Arthur Darly of the City of New York Stone Cutter praying that he might be granted the priviledge to remove a Wooden Building from one end of his Lot to the other was read and Ordered to lie on the table.

A Report of the Committee relative to the White hall Slip with sundry other Communications relating thereto was read and Postponed until Monday next.

An Estimate and Assessment for paving Henry Street from George Street to Charlotte Street was read and approved Ordered that

Thomas Whytlow and George Walton do the work upon their Complying with the General order and that Waters Furman be the Collector for the same.

A Communication from Thomas Ash relative to the Public Slips & Wharfs was read and postponed until the next Meeting.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Thomas Hazard for the Lamp Lighters.....	$229.66
issd	The Justices of Police for the St Domingo Refugees.....	100.

[85] The Board having Revised and Amended "A Law to Regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to Establish the Rates of Wharfage" Ordered that the same be published and that a further time for receiving proposals with respect to the Public Slips and Wharfs be given and Advertized until Friday next at 1 OClock P. M. in the Clerks Office in the City Hall.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldermen

Philip Brasher, Mangle Minthorn, John Crolius Junr, Philip Ten Eyck } Assistants

The following proposals respecting the Slips and Wharfs having been handed in the Clerks Office, Sealed. were opened by the Board and Read as follows to Wit.

Alexander Mowatt Offers to give at the Rate of twelve thousand and ten Dollars per year from the 1st of September next to the first day of May. 1802.

Charles Smith (N° 272 Water Street) Offers to give twelve thousand Dollars Per year for the same period.

Stephen Bourdett Offers to give Eighteen thousand Dollars for the whole Period.

Thomas Ash Offers to give Seventeen thousand Dollars for the whole Period

D. Thompson offers to give at the Rate of Ten thousand three hundrew Dollars per year for the same Period

It appearing to the Board that Alexander Mowatt's [86] Offer was greater than any other delivered, Resolved that he have the same on

his giving approved Security for the payment of the purchase Money in Quarterly Payments.

An Estimate and Assessment for paving Broadway from the end of the pavement now laid to the South side of Leonard Street was read and approved of, Ordered that John McComb do the Work on his Complying with the General Order and that Anthony Brown be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Thomas Street was read and approved of, Ordered that Robert Watts & C° do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Chapple Street was read and approved of, Ordered that Robert Watts & C° do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Catharine Street was read and approved of—Ordered that Robert Watts & C° do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Church Street was read and approved of—Ordered that Robert Watts & C° do the Work on Complying with the General order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

It having been represented to the Board that some Convenient and proper place for a Public Pound was requisite and necessary to be made in the City

The Board Order that Richard Furman, Jotham Post and Mangle Minthorn be a Committee to enquire what place would be most proper to have the same kept and report thereon with the necessary regulations with all Convenient speed.

[87] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of September 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John B. Coles	Esqrs Aldermen	John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher	Assistants

A Letter from Alexander Mowatt informing the Board that the proposal which was given in by him respecting the Slips and Wharfs

on the 29th of August last was given in on Account of Jotham Post Senior and a request that the Board should Consider Mr Post as the Purchaser was read—The Board agree to Consider Mr Post as the purchaser

Ordered that Peter Degroat Ward Shipwright be a fireman to Engine No 22. Vice Philip Lockwood who has Joined Engine No 17.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nicholas Lawrence one of the Captains of the City Watch for the Watchmen.....				$213: 6
issd	William Van Warts	do	do	do	213: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman	do	do	do	155: 31
issd	Hugh Goble	do	do	do	155: 31

[88] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of Septr 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman
Jotham Post
Selah Strong
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
John Crolius
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A Representation of Moses Coe & Daniel Coe was read stating that they had agreed with Jotham Post Esqr (provided it should meet the approbation of the Board) to take the collection of Fees of the public Slips &c on the like Terms Mr Post had agreed to take them.

An Application of Thomas Ash late Collector of those Fees requesting that if the Board should be disposed to release Mr Post from his bargain, he might be preferred on the like Terms was also read.

Whereupon the Question was raised & put Whether this Board would release Mr Post from his Bargain & take Messrs Coe in his place, & the same was carried in the Negative as follows. vizt

Affirmative	Negative	
Aldn Bogert	Aldn De LaMontagnie	Mr Arcularius
Aldn Furman	Aldn Strong	Mr Crolius
	Mr Carmer	Mr Minthorn

[89] A Petition of Capt Edward Shoemaker praying, for the Reasons therein mentioned, to be released from a prosecution commenced against him on the Statute relative to the landing of Passengers was read & granted on payment of Costs

A Petition of Elizth Maunsel & others praying that the Road may be so altered as to evade the steep Hill at Harlem Heighths was read & referred to the Commissrs for Streets & Roads.

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in Greenwich Street from Provoost Street to Watts Street praying for the Reasons therein set forth the Ordinance lately passed for paving that Street be suspended for the present was read & postponed until the Estimate & Assessment be returned to the Board.

Be it ordained that no Boat or Vessel of any description whatever, except the Paulus Hook Ferry Boats, shall be allowed to come into or lay in Cortlandt Slip: But that the said Slip shall be assigned to & for the use of the said Ferry Boats And if any Boat or Vessel of any description whatever shall or do come into or lay in the said Slip contrary to this Law, without the permission in writing from the Mayor or Recorder or one of the Aldermen of the said City, the Master Owner or Possessor of such Boat or Vessel shall forfeit & pay as a fine five Dollars for each Tide such Boat or Vessel shall lay or remain in the said Slip.

[90] The Street Commissioners who were directed to call on the Trustees of the United German Lutheran Churches relative to a piece of Ground belonging to said Churches at the head of Rector Street.

Report—That they have performed that service That the said Trustees are willing to dispose of a sufficient quantity of their ground to widen Rector Street to the same width as below, but that they Cannot agree as to the price, that the quantity requisite is Eleven feet in width in the rear nine feet four inches in front on Broadway and ninety seven feet six inches in length on each side the Commissioners are of opinion it will be proper for the Board to have recourse to the Law on that Subject

New York 8th September 1800
Richd Furman
John Bogert

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Blackwell and others relative to Establishing a Ferry and laying out a Road at Horn's Hook Report—That in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted that they have Caused a Survey to be made agreeable to a plan herewith presented. They Also Report they have waited on the proprietors for the purchase of the said Ground and cannot agree for the same and therefore Recommend Submitting it to a Jury to be appraised agreeable to Law.

The Boundaries are as follows of the said Road Beginning at the East River at High Water Mark fifteen feet Northerly from the fixed

Boundary line of Archibald Gracie and the heirs of Nicholas Cruger and running along the East River South 29D 45M West 100 feet, thence North 60D 15M 66 feet thence North 29D 45M East 55 feet thence 30 feet from the above mentioned Boundary in a Parellel line North 60D 15M West 1232 feet to a Cross fence, thence North 53D West 670 feet to the Old Road thence along the old Road 75D 15M East 122 feet [91] thence South 53D East 559 feet, thence South 60D 15M East 1298 feet to the place of Beginning Containing One Acre, three roods two perches and Sixty three square feet

New York Septr 10th 1800 — Richd Furman, Jotham Post } Committee

The said two aforegoing Reports being duly considered were respectively approved of & agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Clerk prepare according to Law the necessary Precepts for the empanelling & returning Juries to enquire of & assess the Damages & Recompence due to the Owners of the said Ground required to make & continue Rector Street of a proper wedth to the Broad Way And also to the Owners of the Land required for the making & laying out of the said Road to the Ferry or Landing Place at Horns Hook agreable to the said Reports.

Ordered that the consideration of the Report on the Alms House & Bridewell be further postponed 'till next Monday Week.

issd Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Nichs Carmer five hundred Dollars on Acct

[92] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th Septr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius	Assists
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		John Nitchie	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Crolius	
Robert Lenox		Philip Brasher	

A Bond of Jotham Post & his Sureties for the due execution of the Business & payment of the Monies agreable to his Contract for the Fees arising from the public Wharfs & Slips was presented to the Board & approved & filed.

A Representation of Gilbert Van Mater Lessee of Brookly[n] Ferry was read & referred to Aldn Lenox & Coles & Mr Nitchie.

A Petition of Jacob Harsen & others for a Piece of the Common Lands for a Church & Cemetery was read And thereupon resolved that the public Grounds which remain unsold ought to be reserved for the public City purposes & therefore that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

On a Request of Dr Brown Superintendt of the Manhattan Co Water Works.

Ordered that the St Commissrs furnish him with the regulated heighth of the Streets at the Corners of Cross St & Chambers Street

[93] The follows Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

Your Committee to whom was refered the Petition relative to the improvement of White Hall Slip Report—That this Slip from its local Situation Seems to be the natural point of Communication with Staten Island, Elizabeth Town and many other parts of New Jersey, and is the only Landing place for the Ferry Boats from those places, but from its present unimproved State Horses and Carriages cannot be taken into these Boats except at high Water, and their Numerous Passengers some old and infirm and Women and Children, are not unfrequently in bad and Windy weather obliged to Climb across the Decks of Several Vessels loaded with Hay and other Lumber to get out and into these Ferry Boats—Your Committee therefore recommend that a Peir be Built from the inner part of the White Hall Slip out into the River along side of the Battery agreeable to a plan made by Robert Valentine and now laid before the Board, which will likewise give very Considerable Accomodation, to the River Crafts and the many Boats that are Constantly Communicating with the Shiping in the lower Harbour—Mr Ryers and Mr Crane have both Offered to build this Peir at their own expence Provided the Corporation will give them a Lease thereof for twenty one years, but your Committee are of opinion that the Various Public Accommodations that this Peir will afford are too important for the Corporation to put it out of their Power and Controul.

There are thirteen Elizabeth Town and Staten Island Ferry Boats Mr Crane who has Leased the five former for three Years, Offers thirty Dollars for each Boat per Annum for the Accommodation the proposed Peir and Stairs will afford him. and the owners of the Staten Island Boats will probably pay about half that Sum for each Boat of theirs

New York 23. August 1800

Jno B Coles
Richd Furman } Committee
John Bogert

[94] Ordered that the same Committee take Measures for obtaining Proposals to build the said Pier on Contract & report the same to the Board

Ordered that Mr Carmer take Order for putting the Rail Fence at the public burying Ground in good Repair

A Petition of John L Norton for Relief on several Suits brought agt him for not complying with an Ordinance for raising certain Lots in the 1st Ward was read And it was determined that on his paying the Penalties imposed by the said Ordinance the Costs of Suit be remitted

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct towards Cathn Slip Market	$1000
issd	David Marshall Superintendt of the public burying Gd	£16:12:—
issd	Evert Bancker for surveying	£4:—:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

[95] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of Septr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		John Crolius	

Ordered that the auditing Committee with Aldn Coles & Lenox be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers Office to examine & audit his annual Accts & to report to the Board.

A Petition of John Rayner to be licenced as a Butcher was read & granted.

A Petition of Joshua Sands for a Grant of the Soil between high & low Water Mark in the River in front of his Land at Brooklin was read & referred to the Street Commissrs & Aldn Strong & De La Montagnie & Mr Brasher

A Proposal of Stephen Colver to furnish a patent Machine on a new construction to clear the Slips & Docks of Mud & Filth; was read & referred to the Street Commissrs to enquire into and if they shall find it expedient to make a Contract.

A Petition of Hugh Gaine for permission to erect a Market House at his Ground in Greenwich Street.

Ordered that Joseph Newton be permitted to make an Area & Vault in front of his new House building in Cortlandt Street

[96] A Petition of James Barry, an Alien Grocer lately arrived from Europe, for a Licence to keep a Tavern was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs cause Peter Benson's Land which was taken for the new Road at Harlem to be put in good Rail Fence at the expence of this Board; which is to be considered in lieu of the Sum awarded to him by the Jury as a Recompence for his damage.

The Treasurer presented to the Board a List of outstanding Debts due to the Board And on enquirg into it the followg appear'd to be irrecoverable & Lost and were ordered to be charged to the City of New York vizt

George Harris	£3:10:—
Abraham Acker	22:—:—
Wm Godby	22:—:—
Walter King	24:—:—
Francis Colegrove	24:—:—
Wm Roe	40:—:—
Matthew Vogel	43:—:—
Matthew Fox	42:10:—
James Reading	37: 8:—
Thos McKean	32:13: 9
Potter & Garritson	60:—:—
Mead & Hubby	62:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell	£38: 7: 6
issd	Israel Haviland for Leaders to fire Engines	£198:—:—

[97] City of New York } ss. At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the City of New York as the Supervisors of the City and County of New York held on Monday the 22d day of September 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie
Selah Strong
Richard Furman
John B Coles
} Esquires Aldermen

In pursuance of the Statute of the State of New York passed the 7th day of March last past entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor,

Recorder and Aldermen of the City of New York to Order the raising Monies by Tax for the Maintenance of the Poor and for defraying the other Contingent expences arising in the City and County of New York and for other purposes." The Board having Considered of the Amount of the Monies necessary to be raised by Tax for the several purposes in the said Statute mentioned—Do order that the Sum of Seventy five thousand Dollars be raised by Tax on the Estates real and personal of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the said City and County of New York to be applied to the Support and Maintenance of the Poor of the said City and County, the support and repairs of the Bridewell, the Support and Maintenance of Criminal Prisoners in the same, the making, repairing, regulating and improving the Public Roads and Streets and the Defraying of other Contingent Expences arising within and properly Chargeable to the said City and County

And the Board do in pursuance of the said Statute further Order that the Sum of Forty five thousand Dollars be raised in like Manner by the said Tax in that part of the said City which lies to the Southward of a certain line in the said Statute particularly described, to be Applied to the payment of so many Watchmen as the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City in Common Council Convened shall from time to time determine to be necessary for Guarding the said City, to the purchase of [98] Oil, providing Lamps and repairing and attending those which now are and hereafter may be erected in the said City, to the Cleaning repairing and making the Public Wells and Pumps in the said City and to defray the other Contingent Expences arising in and properly chargeable to that part of the said City which lies to the Southward of the line aforesaid as the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council Convened may from time to time direct and for Supplying the Deficiencies of former Taxes upon the same part of the said City owing to Insolvencies and fees of Collection as aforesaid—And the Board do in pursuance of the said first mentioned Statute direct and Appoint that the said Several Sums of Money Ordered to be raised by Tax as aforesaid be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Chamberlain of the said City on or before the first day of March next. And the Board do Certify to the Commissioners of Taxes that the Sum of two thousand three hundred and sixty Dollars is to be raised by the said Tax in the said City and County to be applied to the use of Schools

Ordered that the Clerk furnish Mr John Murray the Commissrs of Taxes with a Copy of the aforegoing Minutes

[99] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Septr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John Bogert Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn	Assistts

The Committee appointed to examine and Audit the Treasurers Books and Accounts made the following Report which was read and Approved.

We the Subscribers being a Committee Appointed by an Order of Common Council to Examine the Books of the City Treasurer do report. That there has been Borrowed on the Bonds of the Corporation from the Bank of New York for the purpose of Supporting the Poor and other Expences of the City and County Six thousand Pounds, from the Bank of Manhattan towards the payment of their Stock Four thousand Pounds, from the Materials of the Exchange Sold at Auction fifty Pounds 5/4 and from the Sale of Com: Lands and Corporation Revenue Nineteen thousand nine hundred and ninety Pounds 1/11 which with the Ballance of thirteen thousand three hundred and forty seven pounds 17/9¾ due on the last Settlement Amount to forty three thousand three hundred and eighty eight Pounds five shillings & ¾. And there has been paid out by order from Com: Council thirty nine thousand three hundred and ninety five pounds 2/11. which leave a Balance due [100] the City of New York of three thousand nine hundred and Ninety three Pounds 2/1¾ Carried to New Account

Jno B Coles
New York Septemr 25th 1800 Jacob De La Montagnie
Philip Brasher

The Board proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix Esqr was appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed John S Delamater to the Office of High-Constable of this City for the ensuing Year.

Mr Mayor signified to the Board that he appointed Bartholomew Skaats and John S Delamater his Deputies as Clerk of the Markets,

the former to act in the Fly Market & Catharine Market and the latter in the Oswego Exchange Market & Hudson Market

Ordered that the Street Commiss^{rs} with the Ald^{n} of the 5th & the Assist^{t} of the 7th W^{ds} be a Committee to make the proper arrangements & regulations in the Catharine Market & report the same to the Board.

A Petition of Benjamin Taylor & others praying that the Proprietors, of the Lots fronting Washington Street between Greenwich Street & the River & between Rector Street & Carlisle Street, may be compelled to raise such of their said Lots as are sunken with wholesome Earth to a proper heighth and that Lamps may be provided to light the Street & wharf was read & that part which respects the raising of the Lots was referred to the Street Commiss^{rs} & the other part to the Lamp Committee.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Report on the Alms House & Bridewell & the further consideration was postponed 'till next Meeting.

[101] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	£91: 15: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of October 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Jotham Post, Selah Strong, Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman, Robert Lenox

Assist^{ts}: Philip J Arcularius, Nicholas Carmer, John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn

The Treasurer laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts and Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen above named & found Right and agreable to the Statute certified accordingly

A Representation of Edward Dunscomb relative to a Deficiency in quantity of a Lot of the Common Lands by him purchased at Auction; was read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs}

An Ordinance was passed for paving Catharine Street from Broad Way to little Ann Street

[102] The Board resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on a Reform of the System in the government & management of the Alms House and after going through the same by Paragraphs & making several Amendments thereto it was agreed to by the Board.*

RULES

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT of the ALMS-HOUSE

IN THE

CITY OF NEW-YO[R]K.

THE Committee appointed to report a plan for the better government of the Alms-House, have reflected upon the subject, with the attention due to every thing that relates to the employment and support of the poor.

They consider this institution as a detached part of the regular system of Police, which comprehend the relief of the necessitous, the encouragement of industry, and the prevention of crimes.—The design of the institution is to provide for the comfortable maintenance of such paupers as are unable to gain subsistence by labor, and have either a legal settlement in the city, or no other legal provision for their support.

[4] Hence it appears that those who are able to maintain themselves by industry, are not the primary objects of the institution—where such persons are unwilling to work, they cannot be, in any point of view, objects of public charity; and instead of being supported in idleness, they are to be corrected by the vigilance of the police. Where, on the contrary, the poor have strength and inclination to labor for their subsistence, they are entitled to encouragement and reward; and in our country (the price of labor being high and employment plenty) they generally receive it. Instances, however, may occur, where employment may be wanting; and in all such cases, suitable work should be furnished to the applicants, either at home, or in some other public rooms, where they might receive a portion of their pay in good and wholesome food, for themselves and their families.

* Marginal note reads *See the Report printed on the annexed Pamphlet.* (This report reprinted from the original pamphlet is inserted here.)—ED.

Excluding, therefore, from this institution, all those classes of the poor, which are able to gain, by their industry, the means of subsistence, still it will necessarily contain persons of many different descriptions; some of them reduced to indigence, by disease and misfortune; others, whose wants are the effects of vice and intemperance; others again, in the last stage of life, bending under the weight of age and infirmities; and others, who in their infancy, have been thrown upon the public charity, for support and education. An institution, comprehending such a variety of characters, must be complicated in its nature, and subject to abuses, which it is difficult to remedy.

The chief ends to be pursued, and of which sight should never be lost—are,

[5] I. *The comfort and welfare of those who are dependent upon the public charity—and*

II. *The due administration of the funds appropriated to the support of the poor, by avoiding all unnecessary expence, and introducing a regular system of management and accounts.*

The first of these general heads, includes all that relates to the classing, diet, cloathing, health and general treatment of the paupers; the education and binding out of the children, and the preservation of decency, sobriety, and cleanliness—the committee suppose that it is of great importance,

1. That the different descriptions of paupers should be separated as far as possible, into different classes; and those whose lives have been uniformly virtuous, should not be confounded with persons of another character.

2. The practice of suffering persons of different sexes to live promiscuously in the same rooms, should, for the sake of decency and propriety, be carefully avoided.

3. The greatest attention should be paid to the cleanliness of the house, and of the persons of the paupers, and of the frequent airing of their rooms and bedding.

4. The diet of the paupers, should be palatable and nutritious, and served to them with regularity and neatness, at stated hours.

[6] 5. Such of the paupers as are capable of any work, should be furnished with it; and should receive a suitable compensation.

6. The sick, should in general, be separated from those who are in health.

7. A due sense of religion should be carefully inculcated, as the greatest comfort under temporal afflictions; and for this purpose, a few pious books might be furnished, divine service performed in the

house as often as might be convenient, and such of the paupers as are capable, encouraged in reading to the others.

8. Spirituous and strong liquors should be absolutely interdicted, unless when given by the advice of a physician.

9. The children of the house should be under the government of careful matrons—they should be uniformly dressed and lodged in separate apartments, according to their different sexes; they should be kept as much as possible from the other paupers, habituated to decency, cleanliness and order, and carefully instructed in reading, writing, and arithmetic. The girls should also be taught to sew and knit.

10. When the children arrive at proper ages, great care should be taken to furnish them with suitable places, that they may be instructed in some useful trade or occupation; and as the Commerce and Navy of the country are becoming of great importance, it would be well if there [7] was a power of binding to the sea-service, when it should be judged most advantageous.

With regard to the second general head, viz. the due administration of the funds appropriated to the support of the poor, œconomy is the essential principle to be adopted, as far as may be consistent with the primary objects of the Institution. It is certain that the maintenance of the Poor in this City is, and for a long time has been, a heavy burthen upon the citizens; perhaps the most weighty in the catalogue of their Taxes. It is also to be expected, from the growing bulk and population of the Town, as well as from extraneous circumstances, that the burthen, in its aggregate, will continue to increase. Hence a constant attention to œconomy and order, in this important branch of the public expenditures, is a manifest and serious duty, which the Corporation owe to themselves and their constituents.

The public have an undoubted right to expect, that as they pay, and must continue to pay this heavy tax, it will be prudently expended and duly accounted for; which can only be effected by pursuing a regular system of management, and keeping fair and clear entries of all the transactions relating to the Alms-House.

In this view it will be necessary,

1. That great attention should be paid to the purchase of provisions, fuel, cloathing, medicines, and other necessaries for the House.

2. That the management and expenditure of these several articles, and particularly of the fuel, should be diligently guarded.

[8] That regular accounts should be kept in the most perfect and systematic manner, of all purchases and expenditures of articles, and of all work done at the house, and that a clear and comprehensive state

of the whole, should be exhibited to the Corporation at certain regular periods and at any other times when they may think proper to require it.

It must be obvious that the several points above stated under both the general heads, are of great importance, and it is far from improbable, that they are at present not so perfectly attended to as might be wished. This is not however mentioned, with a view of reflecting upon any of the persons concerned in the management of the Alms-House. The fault (if it exists) is more in the system than in the men. The doing of business by a board of commissioners, who serve without compensation, is at first view plausible, as it carries the appearance of œconomy, and evidences a disinterested zeal for the public service; but in practice this mode has seldom been successful; very little responsibility attaches to any of the commissioners. The burthen which no one in particular is bound to sustain, is shifted from shoulder to shoulder, till at last it is left wholly unsupported; and as no compensation is to be received, no one thinks himself bound to sacrifice his own private affairs, to an object of general concern, and which there are so many others equally engaged in. The committee, however, are convinced that the success of any plan, must, after all, depend in a great measure, upon the persons who are to execute it. In every thing that relates to the affairs of the poor, a rare union of system, intelligence, talents and industry is requisite; and without such [9] union as a judicious writer* has observed, "Millions may be wasted without bettering their condition." In selecting therefore, the person who may be the chief conductor of the business, many difficulties will occur, and unless such a salary is allowed, as may command abilities, reward industry, and prevent the effect of small temptations, it is in vain to hope for any permanent advantages. Having made these preliminary remarks, the committee proceed to report their plan for the future government of the Alms-House, in which they will be obliged to state as rules several things, which they have already anticipated as being subjects of primary attention.

* Colquhan on the Police of London.

THEIR PLAN IS AS FOLLOWS:

RULES

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ALMS-HOUSE IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

I.

OF THE OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

1. There shall be a Commissioner of the Alms-House and Bridewell, who shall be the superintendant thereof, during the pleasure of the Corporation, and receive an adequate salary to be paid quarterly.

2. The superintendant shall, previous to his entering upon his office, make oath before the Mayor or Recorder, [10] that he will well and faithfully execute his said office, and that he will neither commit nor suffer any wilful waste or embezzlement of any thing appropriated to the use of, or belonging to the Alms-House or Bridewell.

3. There shall be a clerk, and a person to act as purveyor and steward to the Alms-House; also a competent person to act as physician, surgeon, accoucheur and apothecary, who shall have charge of such medicines, medicinal apparatus and instruments, as shall or may, from time to time, be provided, and of the expenditure and use thereof; each of which persons shall have an annual salary, and be appointed by the Corporation.

4. The superintendant shall appoint proper matrons to have the charge of such children as are in the house.

5. The superintendant shall appoint proper persons as cooks, officers, and other domestics of the House, who shall be removeable at his pleasure.

6. The purveyor shall make all purchases for the use of the Alms-House and Bridewell, and shall keep a book containing a particular account thereof, with two separate columns, in one of which shall be carried out the prices of all that he buys for cash, and in the other, of all that he gives orders for upon the clerk, and that his entries from day to day, be examined by the superintendant and clerk—that the money to be used for the house, be lodged, from time to time, in such Bank as the Corporation may direct; and that no money be drawn from thence except by checks signed by the superintendant and countersigned by the clerk, that for the purchase of small articles, money shall be advanced to the purveyor, but [11] whenever the case will admit of it, he shall give an order on the clerk for payment.

7. That the clerk, in a set of books to be appropriated for that

purpose, by way of double entry, shall keep a clear and distinct account of all monies expended for the use of the Alms-House and Bridewell, distinguishing the same, and of all provisions, fuel, medicines and other articles received and made use of, and of all rough materials purchased and of the produce and application of the same, so as to shew what has been purchased, and from whom; what [has] been disposed of, and how and to whom, and how much of each article is on hand. And such books shall be posted up at least once a week

8. The superintendant shall take care that the physician, steward and servants of the house, render to him from time to time, faithful accounts of the several articles which may be under their controul or management, and the same being by him examined, shall be delivered to the clerk.

9. The clerk shall attend every day (Sundays excepted) in an office to be kept in the said house from the hour of nine in the morning to two in the afternoon; and his books shall be kept in the said office, and during those hours shall be subject to the inspection of the superintendant and any members of the Common Council, and any other person whom they may appoint.

10. Once in every three months, to wit, on the first Monday in February, May, August and November, and oftener if required, a correct and fair state of the accounts of the Alms-House, and of the Bridewell, for the last [12] three months, shall be exhibited by the clerk after having been examined and countersigned by the superintendant, and the same shall be examined by a committee of the Corporation, with the proper books and vouchers, and shall then be filed with the clerk of the Corporation.

11. At the several times of exhibiting the said accounts, the superintendant shall also lay before the Corporation a return of the several officers under him, and of the paupers in the Alms-House, during the last three months, shewing their names, ages and places of birth, and state of health or sickness; and the several rooms to which they belong, and such as may have died during that period, at, or been admitted into, or discharged from the Alms-House, which return shall also be filed with the clerk of the Corporation.

II.

OF ADMISSION INTO, AND DISCHARGE FROM THE ALMS-HOUSE.

1. No person shall be admitted into the Alms-House, without a previous examination by the superintendant, to ascertain whether the

applicant is in such a situation, as to require admittance, and has gained a settlement in the city, or has no other legal settlement; if upon such examination it shall appear that the pauper is legally settled elsewhere than in the city, the superintendant shall apply to the magistrates of police, to make or obtain the necessary order, and shall direct the comfortable removal of the pauper to such place of settlement, and his intermediate [13] support, and shall report what he has so done, to the board at his next stated return.

2. Persons having an infectious or contagious disorder, shall not be admitted or kept in the House. The superintendant shall give orders, where necessary, for the care and removal of such persons, being paupers.

3. That the house may not be filled with persons capable of earning a subsistence by their labor, the superintendant shall, upon its appearing to him that any poor persons are in want of employ, and until other provision is made in the premises, furnish them with the same at home, if it can be done without too great a risque; he shall fix a proper compensation for such labor, so as to encourage the persons employed in it, and shall see that a distinct account is kept of every thing relating to this head. He shall also deliver to such poor persons, in part of their pay, tickets, entitling them, at a cheap rate, to portions of soup, or other food from the kitchen, at stated hours, which shall always be delivered to the bearer of such tickets.

4. Where poor families are reduced to such a state, as to require support, the superintendant, after making the necessary enquiries, as to the propriety of their being relieved at the expence of the city, may at his discretion, where the case will admit of it, administer that relief out of the house, in preference to taking such families into it, and for that purpose, may order a supply of food from the kitchen upon proper tickets, and furnish other necessaries until the pleasure of the Board be known in the premises. The like measures may be pursued where paupers apply [14] for admittance into the house, and the place of their legal settlement cannot immediately be ascertained.

5. Such persons, as in the judgment of the superintendant, can maintain themselves, shall be discharged by him from time to time.

III.

RULES RELATING TO CLASSING, AND CONDUCT OF THE PAUPERS IN THE HOUSE.

1. The Paupers shall be classed into different rooms or messes, at the discretion of the superintendant, who shall take care in general,

that persons of different character or sexes shall not reside in the same room, unless as far as it may be necessary for the care of the sick. Where married persons are in the House, they shall, as far as it may be practicable, reside by themselves.

2. All profane and loose conversation, quarrelling and drunkenness, and in general, every thing of a criminal or immoral tendency shall be restrained. If any of the paupers offend in any of those particulars, they shall be punished at the discretion of the superintendant by public admonition, removal from the room or mess to which they belong, wearing a badge of infamy, solitary confinement or removal to the Bridewell, if they continue incorrigible; but in the last case, the order of a magistrate is to be obtained upon his examination of the circumstances.

3. Such of the Paupers as are capable of work, shall be furnished with suitable employment. It shall be [15] in the power of the superintendant to reward the Industrious by small gratuities, to be reported to the board, and to be laid out with their approbation for cloathing or other articles, contributing to the greater comfort of the person deserving it.

4. None of the Paupers shall be permitted to go abroad without licence from the superintendant, who shall give them a printed ticket signed by himself for that purpose, if he thinks proper to grant such licence. If any of the paupers shall be found abroad without such licence, or having the same, shall be found intoxicated, or be guilty of disorderly conduct, or solicit or take alms, the person offending shall be proceeded against as a common vagrant, and it shall be the duty of all peace officers to apprehend such offender.

5th. All paupers permitted to go abroad shall return to the house before sunset, unless especially licenced to the contrary.

6th. To every room there shall be appointed a suitable person as an overseer, removable at the pleasure of the superintendant, who shall take care that no disorders are committed in the same, and shall from time to time report to the superintendant, every offence that may have been committed.

7. At the hour of eight in the evening in the winter and nine in the summer, all fire and candles are to be extinguished in the several apartments, unless where from sickness or other good cause, the superintendant shall otherwise direct.

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IV.

OF THE HOUSE.

1. The bed-rooms and house in general shall be uniformly kept clean and neat. The beds made before the hour of breakfast. The rooms and bedding frequently aired, and no cooking allowed in any of the rooms, unless in cases where, on account of sickness, the superintendant or physician may allow the same.

2. If any of the paupers shall do any injury to the building, or any of its appurtenances, or commit any wilful[*ful*] waste or destruction of fuel, provisions, cloathing, or any other articles entrusted to them or belonging to the house, they shall be punished at the pleasure of the superintendant in any of the ways herein before described, according to the nature of the offence.

3. The several officers and attendants in the house shall have it in their charge not to commit or suffer any waste or destruction, and to report every instance thereof without delay, to the superintendant.

4. No strong liquor shall be admitted without the order of the superintendant, unless prescribed by the physician; and if any of the paupers shall offend in this particular, or shall be seen intoxicated in the house, the offenders shall, in every case, be punished at the superintendant's discretion in any of the ways above prescribed.

5. The superintendant shall be empowered, from time to time, to establish bye laws for the government of [17] the house, and to alter the same, which laws shall continue in force during the pleasure of the corporation.

V.

OF CLOATHING AND DIET FOR THE PAUPERS.

1. Each pauper shall be provided with neat and comfortable clothing, which shall be made as nearly uniform as may be, and shall have a change of linen at least twice a week during the summer, and once a week during the re[si]due of the year.

2. The linen shall be numbered, and shall be appropriated to the respective paupers, and shall be, from time to time, carefully mended; and every appearance of filth and rags shall be avoided.

3. The superintendant shall, from time to time, give directions as to a course of diet for the paupers, and is to be attentive that the same be wholesome, nutritious and palatable. Upon this subject he shall, as soon as may be, furnish a report to the board; and shall from time to time furnish the board with the bill of fare of the paupers. It is

recommended that he pay attention to the hints upon this subject in Count Rumford's Essays, so as to give them a fair trial.

4. The food of the paupers shall be served up in the several apartments, at such stated hours as the superintendant may appoint for each room, and shall be served in a clean and neat manner.

[18] 6. The several paupers shall, at all times, and during their meals in particular, behave themselves in a quiet and orderly manner; and any offences against this article, shall be reported to the superintendant for reprehension or punishment as he may see fit.

6. Care shall be taken that there be a sufficiency of food to supply those from the kitchen who may have tickets for that purpose.

VI.

OF FUEL.

1. The fuel shall be apportioned to the kitchen and several apartments of the house with due œconomy.

2. Every possible measure shall be taken to ascertain the necessary expenditure of fuel for every office and apartment of the house, and to regulate the delivery of it accordingly, so that the expenditure of it may be reduced to a system.

3. Every improvement in the management of fuel, which may be suggested with any probability of success, and for the easiest and cheapest manner of warming the house by stoves, flues or otherwise, shall be fairly tried at the charge of the board; that this great and increasing source of expence, may be kept within as narrow bounds as may be consistent with the health and comfort of the poor. The attention of the superintendant shall, from time to time, be particularly directed to this point, and all necessary experiments shall be made under his direction.

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VII.

OF THE SICK.

1. Such of the sick as can be removed with any safety, shall be placed in a proper apartment or apartments separate from the well.

2. The sick and convalescent shall receive such food and medicines as the physician may prescribe, and have proper attendance, which shall be provided under the direction of the superintendant.

3. In the management of the sick, there shall be the greatest care to remove from them every species of filth, to preserve their rooms sufficiently aired, and in a proper temperature, and to avoid every

thing in the treatment of them which may shock the feelings or injure the health of others.

VIII.

OF THE CHILDREN IN THE HOUSE.

1. Care shall be taken to provide healthy and proper nurses for such of the children as may require them; and where this can be done out of the house, it shall be preferred.

2. Such children as have arrived at a suitable age, shall regularly attend the school, provided for them, and shall be instructed in reading, writing, and arithmetic.

[20] 3. The girls shall be taught plain work and knitting, by a proper person to be provided for that purpose, and shall be employed therein, at least three afternoons in every week.

4. Care shall be taken that the children are kept clean and neat; that they receive their food regularly, and that they behave themselves in a decent and orderly manner. They shall be allowed such sports and pastime, as may contribute to their health, but always in the presence of some discreet and sober person; and shall be kept, as much as possible, from any intermixture with the other paupers.

5. If any of the children distinguish themselves by their good behaviour and capacity, the board will direct their being instructed in the higher kinds of learning, and will take measures that they may profit thereby in their future situations in life.

6. The children shall be kept in separate apartments, according to their different sexes.

7. The schoolmaster, or some proper person, shall twice on each Sunday, read to the children, and such of the adult paupers as may chuse to attend, proper prayers and sermons, with some passages or parts of the bible, or some other religious book.

8. When any of the children arrive at proper ages, they shall be bound out to suitable trades or occupations, and provision shall be made in their indentures for their due maintenance and instruction.

9. If any of those who shall have been so bound out, shall be injured or ill-treated, the superintendant shall con- [21] sider it as his duty to procure them redress. They are to be considered, in every respect, as the children of the public, under his care.

IX.

OF VISITORS.

All decent and well behaved persons, may visit the house in the presence of the superintendant, or of such person as he shall appoint, at such seasonable hours, and under such regulations as he shall prescribe. All the citizens are invited to pay a vigilant attention to the Alms-House and its management; to note every abuse that may take place, and to suggest such improvements as may occur to them, in confidence, that their observations, addressed to the board, will be duly noticed.

X.

ABUSES OF OFFICE.

If the superintendant, purveyor, clerk or physician, or any other of the officers or persons employed under them in the affairs of the house, shall directly or indirectly make or receive any emolument, not allowed them by the board, or shall knowingly suffer any person to practice any fraud, imposition or extortion in any matter relating to the poor, or the supplies of the house, or shall embezzle, or wilfully suffer to be embezzled, any matter or thing belonging to the house, or shall conceal any of the said offences, or shall wilfully neglect their duty, as prescribed [22] them by the board, every person so offending, shall be dismissed from office with disgrace, and shall also be punished as the law may allow.

The Committee beg leave to remark, that according to the existing laws, this plan can only be adopted, as far as may be compatible with the powers of the present Commissioners, who are the overseers of the poor.

It will, therefore, be proper to consider how far it will be necessary to have their approbation, or procure a legislative act upon the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted, &c.

RICHARD HARRISON.
JACOB DE LA MONTAGNIE.

Published by order of the Common Council.

ROBERT BENSON, *Clerk.*

THE END.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	George Furman for Repairs to the public Lamps.....	£18:18: 5
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	Jacob Harsen on Acct for Roads.....	$500

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 7th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post, Selah Strong, Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

Philip J Arcularius, Nicholas Carmer, John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn } Assists

Pursuant to the Statutes in such case made & provided the Board met to inspect & examine the Mortgages Minutes & Accounts of the Loan Officers of this City and County; when Mr Bancker, a Grand Son of Evert Bancker Esqr one of the Loan Officers of this City & County, [103] attended and informed the Board that his said Grand father had lately departed this City & had left with him four Books containing the Accounts & Minutes of the Loan Officers, with Instructions to attend & deliver them to this Board, as Cornelius Ray the other Loan Officer who had been absent from this City for some Weeks for the restoration of his Health had not yet returned; which said Books the Board received & deposited in the Clerks Office That with respect to the Books containing the Mortgages, which were not among those delivered as aforesaid, he supposed them to be in the Custody of Mr Ray the other Loan Officer; whereupon the Board determined to postpone the Inspection and examination of the said Minutes and Accounts until Mr Rays return to this City.

The said Evert Bancker having in a Letter to his said Grand Son, which was produced to the Board, instructed him to inform the Mayor that he declined his said Office of Loan Officer of this City & County; The Board proceeded to the Election & appointment of a Loan Officer in the Place & stead of the said Evert Bancker and Anthony L Bleecker was duly elected & appointed accordingly.

[104] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 14th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert John B Coles Richard Furman Jacob De La Montagnie Jotham Post Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn	Assists

Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City attended &. having taken the Oath prescribed by the Charter, produced his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & filed

John S Delameter High Constable also attended & took the Oath prescribed as aforesaid.

Whereas it appears to this Board expedient & necessary that a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace should be held in & for this City & County, in order as well to dispatch the Business which will necessarily remain of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace now holden in & for this City & County, as to deliver the Bridewell of this City of a considerable number of Offenders whose Cases still remain [105] unexamined, & also to hear & determine a variety of Cases of Assault & Battery & other Breaches of the Peace for which the Offenders stand bound to answer This Board do, in pursuance of the Statute in such case made & provided passed the 21st day of March last, direct that a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace with a Grand Jury be held in & for this City & County at the City Hall of this said City on the first Tuesday in November next

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 15th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck Philip Brasher Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn John Nitchie	Assists

Anthony L Bleecker Esqr appointed by this Board on the 6th Instant one of the Loan Officers of this City & County produced to the

Board his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & filed

[106] Petitions for digging out & paving Church Street between Thomas S^{t} & Barley Street & Thomas Street between Chappel Street & Church Street & Chapel Street between Barley & Catharine Streets were respectively read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs}

The Committee appointed to report a proper arrangement of the Stalls in Catharine Market was received & recommitted to the same Committee to affix the annual Rent on the Stalls

A Petition of Joseph Newton to permit a Lime House continue all Winter in Robinson Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Theop^{s} Beekman Esq^{r} for his Service as Police Justice..	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Jacob De La Montagnie Esq^{r} the like.....	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk for the like.....	$225
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	£3:10: 6
iss^{d}	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil.....	805^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	William Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Sam^{l} Jones Jun^{r} for Costs in an Ejectment Suit ag^{t} Isaac Hallenbeck & others & for the Costs on a Writ of Right ag^{t} D & J Provoost & for extra Services rendered.....	£86:11: 3

Ordered that the S^{t} Commiss^{rs} purchase a Milch Cow for Belle Vue Hospital.

Ordered that the Inspector of Loaf Bread be allowed at the rate of three hundred Dollars per Annum.

[107] The Committee on the Subject of a Pound Reported that the Yard of Thomas White in the Bowery Lane between Hester and Grand Street would be a proper place for a City Pound and that Thomas White would be a suitable Person to be appointed Keeper thereof The Committee also recommend that two Persons should be appointed as Fence Viewers and that John Horn & Henry Brevoort would be suitable Persons to be appointed and that for each time they are employed to examine Fences they ought to be allowed for their Services ten Shill^{gs} each.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Richard Furman		John Crolius	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
		Nicholas Carmer	
		Philip Ten Eyck	

William Peterson Cordwainer was admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

[108] The Board reconsidered the latter part of the Report of the Committee on the subject of the Stalls in the Fly Market; which was agreed to on the 30th day of December last And thereupon Ordered that Aldn Furman Bogert & Post & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius were appointed a Committee to adjust the Rate of annual Rents to be paid for all the Stands in the several Markets in this City; except those in the Fly Market which were sold in the Year 1796 & are not already given up.

The Committee, consisting of Aldn Coles & Lenox & Mr Nitchie, made report on the subject of Brooklyn Ferry, and the same Committee, with the addition of Aldn Furman & Bogert, were requested to reconsider the said Report & report it again at the next Meeting.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of an Inspector of Loaf Bread exposed to sale in this City and Richard Ten Eyck was appointed accordingly.

[109] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of October 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		John Nitchie	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	

Anthony Rutgers one of the Wardens of the Port; was admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

A Letter from George Turnbull was read in which he offers to lend this Board the Sum of £700 on their Bond at five per Ct Interest which was accepted by the Board And it was ordered that a Bond be

made out for the said Sum with the Common Seal *be* affixed and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board and that the Treasurer be directed to apply the said Money towards discharging the Debt due from this Board on their Shares in the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that the Market House lately erected between Greenwich Street & the River in the 6th Ward be called & known by the Name of Greenwich Market.

[110] The Street Commissrs to whom was referred the Petition of Sarah Sears & others Report That Washington Street between Rector Street and the new Albany Bason is in a sunken and filthy Situation and therefore recommend the passing an Ordinance for regulating & filling in the said Street so as to carry the Water over the Bulkhead into the River. They also recommend the passing an Ordinance compelling the Proprietors of Lots adjoining the said Street to fill them up with good wholesome Earth to such heighth as to carry the Water into the said Street by the 25th day of December next on penalty of fifty Dollars each Lott which Report was agreed to by the Board and an Ordinance was passed accordingly.

On a report of the St Commissrs Ordinances were passed for filling & paving Church Street from Barley to Thomas Street, Thomas Street (except the side Walks) from Church Street to Chappel Street, and Chappel Street from Barley to Catharine Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards Harlem Bridge & Cathn Market	$1500
issd	[111] Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£91:18: 8
issd	Wm Van Waert for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

[112] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 3d day of Novr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong, Robert Lenox, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn { Mangle Minthorn, Philip Ten Eyck, John Crolius, Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Nichs Carmer

Philip Brasher Esqr, Joseph Gilmore Taylor } were respectively admitted & sworn Free Men of this City

The auditing Committee reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commiss[rs] of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them Right viz[t]

Those of the Alms House amounts to..... £2754:12: 9

An Estimate of the Commiss[rs] for the ensuing Quarter for the Alms House was read & agreed to viz[t] $6000

iss[d] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] for paym[t] accordingly

Ordered that Thomas Dick—Dennis Striker—Robert Quin & James Mills be appointed Measurers of Grain in this City.

Ordered that Jordan Wright 3[d] W[d] Merch[t] be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 18 vice George Townsend resigned.

[113] On reading a Petition for the purpose. An Ordinance was passed for paving Bayard Street from the Bowery Lane to Mary Street.

The Inspectors of Lots represented to the Board the following Lots in the 6[th] Ward between Barley & Catharine Streets as being in a sunken & filthy situation and recommended the passing an Ordinance to compel the Proprietors respectively to raise & fill up the said Lots with wholesome Earth by the first day of January next under the penalty of fifty Dollars each Lot viz[t] W[m] L Rose 2 Lots—Effingham Embree 3 Lots—Catharine Cox 5 Lots—John R Livingston 2 Lots—George W Chapman 1 Lot Walter Bowne 4 Lots—Isaac Jones 1 Lot John Sanford 1 Lot. Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board accordingly.

Ordered that the Treasurer or Chamberlain be directed to furnish this Board, on the first Monday in each Month, with a balance Sheet of his Cash Account and for that purpose that he keep a Book in which he shall debit all Sums of Money received & credit the same with all Sums paid by Order of this Board; which Book to be regularly ballanced on the said first Monday in each Month and presented at the then meeting of the Board

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on Acc[t].....	$800.
iss[d]	Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquests.....	$88 75/100
iss[d]	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$474.
iss[d]	[114] Catharine Culbertson Widow of James Culbertson, late High Constable of this City deed towards relieving her present indigence & in consideration of her Husbands faithful Services	$50.

Purs[t] to the Statute in such case made & provided the Board proceeded to the appointe*d*[ment] of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Charter Officers and the Places for holding the Elections and the follow[g] Persons & Places in the respective Wards were appointed accordingly. viz[t]

1[st] Ward.....	Nich[s] Evertson	Trinity Church
2[d] do	Sam[l] Boyd	City Hall
3[d] do	Corn[s] J Bogert.....	North Church
4[th] do	George Gosman	St Pauls Church
5[th] do	Wm Fitch	Friends Meet[g] Hs
6[th] do	Peter Arell	Bridewell
7[th] do	Edw[d] Williams	Methodist Church

[115] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17[th] day of Nov[r] 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert
Richard Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Jotham Post
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Robert Lenox
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

John Nitchie
John Crolius
Philip J Arcularius
Nich[s] Carmer
Mangle Minthorn
Philip Brasher
} Assist[ts]

William Totten Grocer
Jonathan Allen, Blacksmith
James W Green, Gardener
David Concklin Farmer
} admitted & sworn free Men of this City

A Letter from the Cashier of the Bank of New York on the subject of the Money borrowed by this Board on the credit of this State was read & referred to M[r] Recorder to prepare an Application to the Legislature at their next Meeting to provide for the payment of the said Monies.

Several Letters & Papers of M[r] Howell relative to certain fire Engines by him imported from London & offered to this Board for sale were read And the B[d] on mature consideration determined that it would not be expedient to purchase the said Engines at present

A Petition of W[m] Cummings to be a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

[116] A Petition of Ab[m] Herring for leave to lead a Drain from his Yard into the Common Sewer under the Fly Market was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

The Clerk presented to the Board the Draft of a Grant to Alex^{r} M^{c}Comb of a Privilege to use part of the Creek at Kings Bridge for a Mill was read & ordered to be engrossed

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 4 John Fisher 3^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice Oliver Cromwell dec^{d}

N^{o} 9 Elijah Warner 2^{d} W^{d} Painter vice John Mercereau dec^{d}

N^{o} 16. Michael Brooks 4th W^{d} Painter vice John Coddington resigned

Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Loan Office, Cornelius Ray Esq^{r} one of the Loan Officers for this City and County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and accounts taken and kept by the Loan Officers of the said City and County and this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed and required

The following abstracts of their Accounts were delivered to the Board and filed to wit.

Debr—THE CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THE LOAN OFFICERS.—Credr

		Interest recd and paid £	S	D	Principal £	S	D
1800. August 5th	To the Loan Officers Salary detained	80	:—	:—	:—	:—	:—
do	To Cash paid in full in the Bank of New York for principal & interest recd as p Acct & receipt this day. Dolls 2731. 94 Cents	348	5	6	744	10	:—
		428	5	6	744	10	:—
Septemr	To Ballance of principal on Loan	:—	:—	:—	7821	:—	:—
					£8565	10	:—

		Interest recd £	S	D	Principal £	S	D
1799 Septr 1800 June 17	By Ballance of principal remaining	:—:—	:—	:—	8565	10	:—
	By 1 Year Interest Due this Day	428	5	6			
		428	5	6	8565	10	:—

New York the Septr 1800

Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker } Loan Officers

Debr—TREASURY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THE NEW LOAN OFFICERS—Credr

1800 June 12th	To Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Interest	£ 80 :— :—
do	To Cash paid in the New York Bank in Dollars full 2695 is	£1078 :—:—
		£1158 :—:—

1800
May 6 By 1 Year interest due on £19300. at 6 p Cent is... £1158 :—:—

New York the Septemr 1800

Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker } Loan Officers

[117] Ordered That Mr Mayor Issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
Hugh Goble for the like	£62: 2: 6
Nicholas Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
William Van Wart for the like	£85: 4: 6
Rinier Skaats for one Quarters Salary and disbursements	£22: 10: —
William Hardenbrook for repairing Lamps	£4: 12: 4
The Same for his Acct in the Fire Engine Department	£172: 10: 11

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th Novr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post, Robt Lenox, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Selah Strong, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

John Nitchie, Philip Brasher, Philip Ten Eyck, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nichs Carmer, John Crolius } Assists

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Elections held in the several Wards in this City of Charter Officers for the ensuing Year which were examined & the following Persons appeared to be duly elected vizt

[118] 1st Ward	John B Coles	Alderman
	John Nitchie	Assistant
	Andrew Morris, Robert Gosman	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, David Conklin	Constables
2d Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistant
	Joshua Waddington, John Taylor	Assessors
	Cornelius Wynkoop	Collector
	James Green, Joseph Gilmore	Constables
3d Ward	Selah Strong	Alderman
	Philip Brasher	Assistant
	John Bingham, Thomas Tom	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Benjamin McDowll	Constables

4th Ward.....	John Bogert	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
	William G Miller, Simon Van Antwerp	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	James Thompson, John Reins	Constables
5th Ward.....	Jotham Post	Alderman
	John P Ritter	Assistant
	William Rhinelander, John Franklin	Assessors
	David Harriott	Collector
	Joseph Dunkley, Samuel Montgomery	Constables
6th Ward.....	Joshua Barker	Alderman
	Henry Verveelen	Assistant
	Thomas Demarest, John T Banta	Assessors
	Anthony Brown	Collector
	Abraham Brevoort, Abraham Manning	Constables
7th Ward.....	Mangle Minthorne	Alderman
	Jacob J Arden	Assistant
	Abraham K Beekman, Benjamin Thurston	Assessors
	Abraham Van Gelder	Collector
	Abraham A Funda, Jonathan Allen	Constables
Harleam Division	Jacobus Dykeman, John P Waldron	Assessors
	Jacob Meyer	Collector
	Blazer Moore, Gilbert Brown	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on Monday next take the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed.

[119] The Board, on a Reconsideration of the subject, determined to give Mr Howell a further opportunity of exhibiting his Fire Engines, lately imported, for their Inspection & assign Saturday next at 12 O'Clock to attend at the new Albany Bason to see them worked.

A Petition of Wm Snyder for the consent of this Board to assign the Leases, from this Board to him, of Lot No 113 in Chatham Street & Lot No 131 in William Street to John Spies was read & granted.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men in this City viz[t]

Engine N° 11 James Norris 5th Wd Cordwainer vice Jacob Van Wagenen Junr resigned

N° 12 Hugh McCormick 5th Wd Tanner vice Andrew Cock resigned

N° 18 Samuel B Embree 3d Wd Mercht & Oliver Cock 5th Wd Mercht vice Alexr Mowat & Alexr Tiebout resigned

N° 25. Peter Pride 4th Wd Carpenter, David Colon 3d Wd Windsor Chair Maker & John DeWitt 5th Wd Chairmaker vice Levi Weeks, Jacob Drake & Ezra Weeks resigned.

The Committee on Brooklyn Ferry reported verbally to the Board that they had consulted Mr Van Mater the present Occupant respecting the Terms on which he would continue to keep the Ferry until the 1st May next. That he signified to the Committee that under the present existing Circumstances he thought he could not afford to pay any [120] Rent for the Ferry during that Period but supposed that the Corporation ought to make him some compensation to indemnify him for the keeping of it during the ensuing Winter. That the Committee had since received Proposals of Mr Stanton (who at present keeps the Ferry from Sands's Wharf to Catharine Slip) to keep the Ferry going 'till the first May next & to pay a Rent of $300—That Mr Van Mater (hearing of Mr Stanton's Offer) then proposed to the Committee that [he] would give more & offered $400.

Whereupon the Sense of the Board was taken Whether the Committee ought to accept of Mr Van Mater's last Offer & it passed in the Negative as follows vizt

For the Affirmative	For the negative
Aldn Post	Mr Recorder
Aldn De laMontagnie	Aldn Strong
Aldn Lenox	Aldn Furman
Mr Minthorn	Aldn Coles
Mr Arcularius	Mr Brasher
Mr Crolius	Mr Nitchie
	Mr Carmer

The Question was then raised & put Whether Mr Stanton ought not to have the Ferry on his paying $400 & it was determined in the Affirmative. Those who on the former Question voted in the Negative—on this voted in the Affirmative & those who on the former Question voted in the Affirmative on this voted in the Negative.

[121] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Clerks of the Election for Charter Officers $2 each	$14
issd	Peter Parks for cleans & repairs the Methodist Church after the Election held in it	£3:10:—
issd	Benja Haight for Watchmens Caps	£64:—:—
issd	The Printer of the daily Advertizer	$50
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of December 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Alda	John Nitchie	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Nicholas Carmer	
Jotham Post		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		Henry Verveelen	
Mangle Minthorn		Jacob J Arden	

The Oaths prescribed & directed by Law & the Charter of this City were duly administered to the Aldermen & Assistants above named and [122] *and* to the following Assessors & Constables vizt

	.....	Joshua Waddington
	John Taylor	John Bingham
	William G Miller	Simon Van Antwerp
Assessors	William Rhinelander	Thomas Demarest
	John T Banta	.....
	Benjamin Thurston	Jacobus Dykeman
	John P Waldron	.....
	Philip Fulkerson	David Concklin
	James Green	Joseph Gilmore
	Samuel Stockwell	Benja McDowl
Constables	James Thompson	John Reins
	Joseph Dunkley	Samuel Montgomery
	Abraham Brevoort	Abraham A Fonda
	Jonathan Allen	Blaze Moore

Robert Gosman elected an Assessor for the 1st Ward being neither a Free Man or Freeholder in the Ward And Thomas Tom & John Franklin elected Assessors for the 3d & 5th Wards being of the People called Quakers refused to serve and Abraham Manning Constable in

the 6th Ward being neither Free Man or Freeholder Elections were ordered to be held on Tuesday the 8th Instant of Persons duly qualified in their stead

Gilbert Brown Constable for Harlem Division in the 7th Ward, being intoxicated with Liquor was ordered to attend at the next Meeting to be sworn.

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Messrs Brasher & Ritter be a Standing Committee to examine & audit all Accounts exhibited against this Board for payment

Ordered that Aldn Bogert & Messrs Nitchie & Verveelen be a standing Committee on the Subject of the public Lamps

[123] And Ordered that Aldn Post & Strong & Mr Arden be a standing Committee on all Repairs.

Resolved that Richard Varick Esqr Mayor of the City of New York be & he is hereby authorized & appointed to vote on behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York at the next Election for twelve Directors of the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that William Hooghland of the 4th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 20 vice Elias Hatfield resigned.

Ordered that the Treasr pay into the Manhattan Bank towards the Shares of this Corporation in the said Bank the Sum of $10,000.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Wednesday Decr 10th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post Selah Strong Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Henry Verveelen Nicholas Carmer Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

[124] The Poll Lists of the Elections held in the 1st 3d & 5th Wards of Assessors & of a Constable in the 6th Ward were returned & from which it appeared that Edward Nicholl for the 1st & Abraham Bogert for the 5th Wards were duly elected, the Poll List for the 3d Ward having thereon only one Voter named the consideration of it was postponed 'till next Meeting. And from the Poll List of the 6th Ward it appeared that Abraham Manning was duly elected Constable, who on his producing a Deed of his Freehold, took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

Ab[m] K Beekman Assessor for the Bowery Division in the 7[th] Ward also attended & took & subscribed the Oaths of an Assessor.

On a Report of the Engineers of the fire Men on the subject. Ald[n] Strong & Minthorn & M[r] Brasher were appointed a Committee to confer with M[r] Howell as to the Terms of sale of the new fire Engines by him lately imported from London .

A Petition of Oliver Kane as Proprietor of the Lot at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets at the Battery proposing an exchange of part of the said Lot for the Ground whereon the Military Store is erected was read & referred to Ald[n] Coles & Bogert & M[r] Nitchie.

Ordered that Andrew Morris be appointed a Fire Man & Fire Warden in the 1[st] Ward vice Tho[s] Ludlow resigned

Ordered that John Hyslop be permitted to make a Vault in front of his House in John Street under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the W[d]

[125] Ordered that Matthew Daniel be permitted to take up part of Cherry Street to launch his Pilot Boat on the Stocks there; on Condition that he put the Street in good Order again immediately after launching the Vessel.

A Petition of Thomas Storm & Peter Dustan for permission to erect a Lime House & to deposit the Materials during the Winter for building Fire Proof Stores on South Street was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs] to enquire into & report to the Board.

A Petition of Tho[s] Storm for permission to erect a Lime House & deposit the Materials, in the Street in front of Coenties Slip during the Winter, for a Store he is about to erect on the West side of Coenties Slip was read & the consideration thereof postponed 'till next Meeting.

A Letter from Anthony Dey Esq[r] to M[r] Mayor on the subject of his appointment as Attorney to this Corporation was read & referred to M[r] Recorder.

Ordered that the Managers be permitted to use the G[t] Court Room for the drawing of the Lottery for improving the navigation of Hudson River.

Ordered that Jacob Driskel 5[th] Ward Mason be appointed a fire Man to Engine N[o] 5 vice W[m] Moore resigned

[126] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Ald[n] Coles on Acc[t] towards filling the Water [Lot] of Henry Cuyler dec[d]	£200:—:—
iss[d]	Joseph Webb for repairs Lamps	£4:12: 6

issd	David Marshall for superg the public burying Ground...	£34: 8:—
issd	David Waldron for repairg Roads.....	£311:14:—
issd	Thos Hazard for lightg Lamps.....	£92: 8: 4
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Jno S Delamater for summong Assessors &c from Harlem	$2 50/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Decr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong John B Coles Jotham Post Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker Robert Lenox John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Jacob J Arden John Nitchie Henry Verveelen Philip Brasher Nicholas Carmer Philip Ten Eyck	Assists

The Board determined the Election in the 3d Ward of an Assessor to be void And Ordered that an Election for an Assessor be held at the House of Charles Gardner in the said Ward on Tuesday the 23d Inst.

[127] The Board proceeded to the consideration of Thomas Storm for permission to erect a Lime House & lay the Materials, in the Street in front of Coenties Slip, for a Store he intends to erect on the West side of the said Slip; was read & rejected.

The Board also proceeded to the consideration of the Petition of Thomas Storm and Peter Dustan (which at the last Meeting was referred to the St Commissioners) for Permission to lay the Materials on the Wharf in South Street between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip where they intend to erect fire Proof Stores & the same was granted under the inspection of the Aldn & Assistant of the Ward.

A Petition of John Bancker Relievd from the payment of a fine recovered against him for exercising the Office of Weigh Master without any Appointment from this Board; was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Committee appointed to confer with Mr Howell for the purchase of the fire Engines be authorized to conclude the Bargain with him at any Price not exceeding $4700 including all the Apparatus.

Ordered that the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell take Measures for compelling John Michaels as Assist of Peter Cole

late Keeper of the Bridewell to render an Acct of the public Lamp Oil furnished to individuals to the end that such of them as have not already paid may have an oppertunity of discharging their Accts

[128] Ordered that Wm Day & Matthew West late of Engine No 23 do Duty as fire Men to Engine No 1 until the return of Engine No 23 from Poughkeepsie And that Seba Brinckerhoff late of No 23 be considered as belonging to Engine No 1.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

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Nichs Carmer for Repairs to the Bridewell	100:16: 1
The same for the like to fire Engine Houses &c	41:18:10
The same for the like at the Park	16: 8:—
The same for the like on Docks &c	52:10:—
The same for the like at the Alms Hs	448:13: 7
The same for the like Pumps & Wells	342:13: 4
The same for the like on City Hall	100:18: 5
The same for the like on Battery	6: 2: 2
The same for the like Brooklyn Ferry	15:18: 4
The same for the like on the Jail	67:13: 1
The same for the like Belle Vue Hospital	37:10:10
The same for the like on Markets	20:14: 8
	1251:17: 4
The same for his Services	104:16:—
	£1356:13: 4
Clerks of Elections	£2: 8:—
David King for a public Dinner on the 25th Novr last	50:—:—
Peter Clark for Flannel Cartridges on the 25th Novr last	$5 59/100

[129] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of December 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert, Selah Strong, Mangle Minthorne, Joshua Barker, Jotham Post — Esqrs Aldn
Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Nichs Carmer, Henry Verveelen — Assistts

Ordered that the Clerk negociate a purchase, on behalf of this Board, of the eight Lots of Ground belonging to Lewis Pintard & which project into the public burying Ground in the 7th Ward, at the price of one thousand Dollars.

Ordered that Mr Recorder take Measures for compelling the fol-

lowg Persons to pay the ballances due from them respectively with Interest from the time they respectively became due vizt Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash, & Ash Coe & Burdet & Thomas Ash on Acct of the public Docks & Slips. Coe & Burdet for Hoboock Ferry, & Hunt and Furman for the Ferry from Catharine to Sands's Wharf at Brooklyn.

The Clerk presented to the Board the engrossed Grant to Alexander Macomb of a priviledge to use part of the Creek at Kings Bridge for a Mill, which was read & approved by the Board, and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board to be delivered on the Grantee's executing the counterpart

[130] On reading a Certificate of the President of the Fire Department stating that Martin Morrison who was appointed to prosecute for & collect the Fines arising on the Law for preventing & extinguishing Fires in this City had declined that Office; and recommending Nicholas Roome in his stead

Ordered that the said Nicholas Roome be appointed accordingly.

A Petition of the Huckster Women in the Fly Market who vend Vegetables praying that they may be permitted to occupy the Stands, from which they were removed, below Water Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of Henry Shearman relative to certain Ballances due him for digging out Charlotte, Fisher, & Bedlow Streets in the 7th Wd was read & referred to Aldn Bogert

The Committee on the subject of the new Fire Engines imported from London by Thomas Howell reported that they had purchased them for the Sum of four thousand Dollars

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt of the said Sum on the delivery of the said Engines with all their Apparatus.

issd

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Barker & Mr Nitchie be a Committee to confer with the Engineers as to the disposition of the said Engines, the number of fire Men required to work & manage them And also to enquire respecting the State of the old Engines if any & which of them ought to be laid by or sold.

[131] The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Oliver Kane in relation to the public Ground at the Corner of Pearl Street & State Street Report That in their Opinion the Public Interest will be promoted by permitting the said Oliver Kane to occupy part of the said Ground upon Condition that he give in exchange therefor at the

rate of five feet for four to remain for public Uses along side of and adjoining the Govt House Garden agreable to a Plan now laid before the Board

Decr 22d 1800.

John B Coles
John Bogert
John Nitchie

Resolved that this Board do concur with the Committee in their said Report: But that by the Law entitled "An Act for securing & improving certain Lands in the City of New York for public Uses & for other purposes therein mentioned" passed the 16th March 1790 they are inhibited from selling or disposing of any part of that Ground.

The Board finding that the Ordinance for compelling the filling up & raising certain low & sunken Lots between Barley & Catharine Streets in the 7th Ward had not been served on the Proprietors of the Lots in due Season, lengthened the time by which they were to be filled up & raised to the first March next And a new Ordinance for that purpose was passed accordingly.

Ordered that the Market Committee enquire into the expediency of encreasing the number of Butchers Standings in the Hudson Market & report thereon at the next Meeting.

[132] Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for subjecting fire Wood sold & delivered from Yards or Places where the same may be stored to Inspection in like manner as if the same was delivered from on Board Vessels and for encreasing the Inspection Fees And also for making it the Duty of the High Constable to inspect the Conduct of the Inspectors & to report all such as are negligent to their Duty to the Mayor to be by him suspended.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles	£4: 2: 6
issd	Valentine Swain for Lamp Oil	£85: —: —
issd	Adam D Mount for a lost fire Buckt	£0: 16: —
issd	Selah Strong for Gun Powder to celebrate 25th Novr last	156^{62}/_{100}$
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	The Police Justices towards the Relief of certain indigent Families from St Domingo	$100

[133] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Decr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Jotham Post Selah Strong Joshua Barker Mangle Minthorn John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Jacob Arden John P Ritter Philip Ten Eyck Nicholas Carmer Henry Verveelen

Assistts

Ordered that the Committee on the subject of the Weigh Masters Department consider of & report on the expediency of encreasing the number of Weigh Masters

Ordered that George Lindsay be & he is hereby appointed on behalf of this Bd an Arbitrator, to determine what Sum ought to be paid by this Board to Robt Gilchrist for the Ground of the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt decd which may have been taken for the widening & contin[u]ing of Greenwich Street, in the Place of Gabriel Furman removed from this City.

Mr Recorder presented a Report on the Letter of Anthony Dey Esqr as Attorney of this Board to prosecute for Penalties incurred on the Bye Laws; which was read & the consideration thereof was postponed.

Peter King one of the Inspectors of Fire Wood from his advanced Age being incompetent to perform the Duties of that Office. [134] Ordered that he be displaced.

The Committee on the subject of encreasing the number of Stalls or Butchers Standings in Hudson Market Report That the Committee have examined the situation of the said Market with Respect to the Butchers Stalls and are of Opinion that the Stalls should be moved up to the north end of the Market & that there be added six Stalls in addition to the fourteen now in the Market and regulated as to size agreably to the Fly & Catharine Markets.

Mangle Minthorn
John Bogert
Jotham Post
Jacob J Arden
John Pr Ritter

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Barent

Deklyn for the establishing of a Ferry from his Wharf at Greenwich to the New Jersey Shore Report that they have taken the same into consideration & after mature reflection are of Opinion the public Interest will be promoted by granting the Prayer of the Petition under the same Regulations & Rates of Ferriage as are established at the Paulus Hook Ferry.

John B Coles
John Bogert
Rich[d] Furman

Ordered that the said Barent Deklyn be permitted to establish & keep the s[d] Ferry agreably to the said Report for Term of three Years from the 1[st] day of May next, he paying therefor a Rent of one Dollar per Year During that Term.

[135] The Clerk reported a "Law supplementary to the Law for regulating the sale & cartage of Fire Wood" which was agreed to & passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

Ordered that the Committee on the subject of the Common Lands sold at public Auction report at the next Meeting, such of the Purchasers who have not taken out their Deeds and the Names of such as refuse to accept the Deed & pay the consideration Money

Ald[n] Bogert one of the Street Commissioners to whom was referred the Application of Henry Shearman delivered in the follow[g] Report which was ordered to be filed.

"That with respect to the Claim of said Shereman on Martin Morrison it appears not a shilling is due to him as will appear by Shearmans own Signature herewith presented on the Contrary Morrison is in Advance on that Assessment Eight pounds thirteen shillings and three pence from an improper Assessment on Francis Dominick as will appear from a Map of the Ground herewith shewn.

The reason why the Six pounds due from Bedlow Street to Shearman was not paid is owing to the unfortunate Situation of Runyon Martin who at the time the Assessment was made was Ill of a Consumption and has since died leaving a large and distressed family behind, his death took place in October last, his Wife has since Assigned to the Collector the lower part of the house until the Assessment amounting to twenty five pounds fifteen shillings and two pence is paid, the first Rent will be due on the first day of February next.

New York 29[th] Decm: 1800. John Bogert

[136] On reading a Petition of Joshua Barker wherein he states that he was appointed to collect the Monies assessed in an Assessm[t]

made in virtue of an Ordinance passed the 4th Decr 1797 for digging out & filling in Broad Way from the House of Scott L Clark to the arched Bridge, Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street, Ann Street from Anthony Street to Catharine Street and Catharine Street from Ann Street to the fresh Water Pond, That he had collected all the Monies on the said Assessment except the Sum of £7:17:3d* assessed on a Lot of Ground on the south side of Anthony Street & owned by Sarah Fee who to the Petitioner['s] knowlege has not been in this City since the making of the said Assessment & also excepting the Sum of £20:8/† being the Ballce due from Henry Shute on the Sum assessed on him for four Lots of Ground at the Corner of Magazine & Ann Street. It was ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Mr Barker the sd two several Sums to be issd charged to & remain as a lien on the said Lots respectively to be recovered according to Law.

issd	Nicholas Carmer on Acct	$1000
issd	The Street Commissrs for Streets & Broad St Sewer	$535 73/100
issd	The same for the Bridge over Bensons Creek at Harlem	$674 75/100
issd	The same for Cathn Market	$1621 51/100

[137] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Jany 1801

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John P Ritter	Assistts
Mangle Minthorn		Jacob J Arden	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie	

An Application of a Committee of the Manhattan Company to purchase from this Board the Right to the fresh Water Pond was read And Aldn Bogert Strong & Minthorn were appointed a Committee to confer with the said Committee of the Manhattan Co & report to the Bd

On reading a Report of the Street Commissioners An Ordinance was passed for raising & filling up with wholesome Earth to the Regulation thereof Greenwich Street from the end of the present Pavement to the Bridge at Bestavers Killetie, by the 15th March next under the penalty of $50 for each Lot

* Marginal note reads *Lien on Lot of Sarah Fee £7.17.3d*—Ed.
† Marginal note reads *Lien on Lot of Henry Shute £20.8.0.*—Ed.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay out of the Monies now in the Treasury the ballce due from this Bd for their Shares in the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that Benjamin Watson of the 5th Ward, Cordwainer be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 17 vice Wm Baker resigned

[138] The Committee to whom it was referred to Confer with the Engineers respecting the proper places for depositing the Engines lately imported—Report

That the Committee have had a Meeting with the Engineers and have agreed to recommend the following disposal of the New and Alteration of some of the Old Engines

1st The Large Engine lately imported be placed in the Corner of the yard of the City Hall in a House to be Built for the purpose adjoining the House of Mr Verplank and Numbered three and have twenty four fire Men to it.

2nd The other Engine lately imported be placed in the Jail yard in the house where No 8. now is and that the said Engine be Numbered Eight and have twenty Men.

3d The Engine No 8. be removed to the Furnace at the North River and Numbered one which is to be its permanent Stand and to increase the Company to thirteen Men.

4th The Engine No 3. be removed to the Hospital and Numbered twenty three to replace the one gone to Poughkeepsie No 1. now at that stand being out of Order and useless.

5th The Engine No 21. which is now at the Furnace to be returned to its Original stand near the Baptist Meeting House

Your Committee further report that the Company of the Old Engine No 3. Consisting of ten Men take Charge of the New Engine which is to be placed in the Yard of the City Hall, and that the Company be encreased to twenty four Men—That the Company belonging to Engine No 8. Consisting of thirteen Men take Charge of the New Engine to be placed in the Jail Yard and that they be permitted to encrease their Company to twenty Men. The Committee also report by the particular desire and request of the Engineers that a New Engine house be built at the head of the Common Sewer at Burling Slip near Pearl Street for the use of Engine No 18. the Lease where it now stands will expire the first of May next, with respect to the floating Engine the Committee are of opinion that a Boat be immediately procured for it nearly upon the plan [139] that has been exhibited and that it be placed in one of the most Central Slips on the East River and there be thirty Able bodied Men allotted to it.

If the Board should think proper to adopt these Regulations there will require an Additional Number of fifty one Men, which will encrease the fire Men to a greater Number than the Law allows Your Committee therefore recommend that the Board make application to the Legislature at their next meeting to increase the Number of Firemen to at least Six hundred—All which is respectfully Submitted

New York 5th Jany 1801

Selah Strong.
Joshua Barker
John Nitchie

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the same Committee take Order for the building of the Boat mentioned in the said Report

And that the chief Engineer take order for the doing of the several other matters mentioned in the said Report

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay:

issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	92: 4: 6
issd	Charles Basham for attends the new fire Engines at the late Fire	£2: 8:—
issd	Thomas Kingsley for screws &c to the same Engines	£2:—:—
issd	Isaac Montanye for Repairs to the same	£2:—:—
issd	E: Belden for printg	$39

[140] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th January 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldermen	Philip Brasher	Assistants
Jotham Post		John P. Ritter	
John Bogert		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorne		Henry Vervelen	
Joshua Barker		Jacob J Arden	
John B Coles		Philip Ten Eyck	

The Board proceeded to take into Consideration an Estimate made by the Treasurer of the Monies required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of this City and the same was agreed to by the Board as follows Vizt

An Estimate of the Expences of the City and County of New York for the Year 1801.

Alms House for Support by Estimate of the Commissions.....		34,000
Bridewell Do Do		1,000
Streets, Repair and Improvemt.....		5,000
Roads do & Compleating the Bridge at Harleam.....		6,000
Contingent Charges Estimated from the last Accts.....		17,000
Amount of County Charges.....Drs		63,000
Watch Consisting of 2 Captains 2 Deputys & 70 Men 52 Weeks at 368$^{50}/_{100}$ Pr Week.....	19,162	
Extra Watch	2,000	21,162
Lamps, Numbr 981: lighting & Cleaning.....	2,800	
Superintends & delivering out the Oil.....	200	
Supplying the above with Oil.....	9,000	
do Goal, Watch Houses, Poor House and Bridewell..	2000	
Repairing Old & Purchasing New Lamps.....	1500	15,500
Wells and Pumps repairing & Supplying new.....		2,000
City Contingent		2,500
Amount of City Charges.....Drs		41,162

New York January 10. 1801.

Danl Phœnix City Tr

[141] Ordered that Mr Recorder prepare a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to Authorize the raising of the Monies estimated accordingly

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board Vizt

The Auditing Committee Report that they have Examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the thirtieth day of December 1799, to the twenty seventh day of December last inclusive, That it appears the Mayor has received from Bartholomew Skaats, Hugh Gobel and John S Delamater Deputy Clerks of the Market (including Ninety three pounds twelve Shillings paid by his Order for Sweeping and Cleansing the Markets, the Sum of two thousand one hundred and eleven pounds four shillings and seven pence— That the Mayor has retained one half the last mentioned Sum to his own use; That he has paid to Bartholomew Skaats one of the Deputy Clerks pursuant to an Order of the Board twenty Pounds, on Account of his house Rent and that he has paid the residue or Ballance to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer.

The Committee further report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Licences, granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March last to the fifth day of January instant inclusive. That he has received for one thousand and fifty Licences (exclusive of a Commission of two and an half per Cent Allowed Garret Gilbert Esquire the Commissioner of Excise, for Collecting the Monies) One thousand five hundred and thirty five pounds twelve shillings and six pence—That the Mayor has retained three tenths parts thereof to his own use, That he has paid to Richard Harison Esquire the Recorder, as the Counsel of the Board pursuant to a Resolution for that purpose, two hundred pounds, due to him on the first day of September last—That he has also paid to Robert Bensom Esquire as Clerk of the Common Council on Account Commencing the first day of March last two hundred [142] Pounds, That he has paid to Messrs Furman & Loudon for printing blank Licences &c Nine Pounds twelve shillings, And that he has paid to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer the Ballance being Six hundred sixty five pounds six shillings and nine pence, All which appears from the preceeding Accounts

The Committee further report that on the twenty eighth day of January last the Mayor did pay to Daniel Phœnix the City Treasurer, three hundred and ninety pounds ten shillings being the ballance of Market fees then in his hands; and out of the Tavern Licence fees then in his hands, Seven hundred and five Dollars and forty five Cents to Robert Benson and four pounds fifteen shillings and two pence, being the Ballance in his hands to the said Daniel Phœnix Esquire as City Treasurer—All which is Submitted

New York Jany 12th 1801

Selah Strong
Jno P. Ritter
Philip Brasher
} Auditing Committee.

The following Report was read and Agreed to by the Board Vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Remsen and others Relative to the Erection of Peirs in the East River Beyond South Street Report.

They have taken the Subject of the Referrence into Consideration and after maturely reflecting on the same are of opinion that the immediate erection of Piers Between the White Hall Slip and the fly Market is of the first importance to the Commercial Interest of this City, more especially as the Corporation have Caused the permanent Line within that Space to have been Compleated and thereby have De-

prived the Shipping of the Accomodation they heretofore had at the Old Piers.

Your Committee would therefore Recommend the passing an Ordinance directing the Proprietors of Lots on South Street within the Boundaries above mentioned to Commence the Building of fifteen Piers agreeable to the plan hereafter mentioned by the first day of July next and to Compleat the said Piers by the first day of November 1802, and in Case of Neglect or refusal so to [143] do by any of the Proprietors such Delinquent proprietors shall be deprived of the benefit of a grant, Minors only Excepted.

Your Committee further report that the said Piers should be placed and Erected agreeable to the plan that will accompany this report, that is to say, that the first one shall Continue in a Line with the North side of White Hall Slip and the third one twenty feet South of the present Line of Exchange Slip, and the Second one at equal distances between the first and third, the fourth shall Continue in a Line with the North side of Conties Slip and the Seventh twenty feet below the Southerly side of the Old Slip, and the fifth and sixth shall be at equal distances between the two last mentioned, the Eighth shall Commence twenty feet above the North side of the Old Slip and the Eleventh twenty feet below the Southerly side of the Coffee House Slip, and the ninth and tenth at Equal distances between the two, the twelfth shall Commence twenty feet above the Northerly side of the Coffee house Slip and the fifteenth twenty feet south of a line with the Southerly side of the Fly Market Slip, and the thirteenth and fourteenth at equal distances between the two.

They also further Report that in their Opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to Continue the Slips as Publick Property to the end of the Piers to be Erected.

They further Recommend that the said Piers be one hundred and eighty feet in Lenghth and thirty feet in Breadth, and to be formed by three Blocks or Butments of thirty feet each and three Bridges of the same Size and that they should be Declared in the Grants to be Publick Highways and Subject to the future Ordinances of Corporation as the Public Streets of the City now are

Jan^{y} 8th 1801.

Jn^{o} B. Coles
Rich^{d} Furman
John Bogert.

[144] A Petition of the Neighborhood against the erection of a Fire Engine House in Burling Slip Street on the end of the Sewer next to Pearl Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Thomas Howell praying for the reasons therein mentioned that this Board would grant him an additional Sum of Money towards indemnifying him for his loss on the importation of the new fire Engines from London & lately sold to this Board was read & it was determined that no further Sum ought to be granted

A Petition of Taylor Willet for permission to erect a Lime House in front of his Lot in front Street where he is about to build a new House in place of that lately lost & consumed by fire was read & granted.

Ordered that Aldn Strong Bogert & Mr Brasher be a Committee to inquire into the Regulation of Brooklyn Ferry particularly as it relates to the Rates of Ferriage & to report to the Board if any & what alterations may be expedient & necessary

Ordered that 200 Copies of the Report of the Committee on the new Plan for the government of the Alms House [be printed].

Ordered that Matthew West fireman heretofore belonging to Engine No 23 be removed to & do Duty with the Company No 1 And that Abm Moore 6th Wd Carpenter & David Secor 6th Wd Carpenter be appointed additional firemen to the same Company. And that the follows Persons be also appointed firemen vizt John Westerfield 5th Wd Sailmaker—Henry Brevoort 6th Wd Coach Painter—John Leacrait 6th Wd Cordwainer & Joseph Ogden 6th Wd Cordwainer to the new Engine No 8 And Isaac Parker 7th Wd Shipwright vice Thos Drake decd to No 22 And George G Burras 1st Wd Shoemaker to No 3 vice Robt Gosmen resigned.

issd	[145] On a Representation of the Commissrs of the Alms House Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to advance them on Acct to be applied towards the Relief of certain Indigent Families.	$500
	And to pay	
issd	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to Roads.....	£1322:4:1
issd	John Watson for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	$4
issd	Isaac Mead for the like.....	$4

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of Jany 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox John B Coles Joshua Barker Mangle Minthorn Selah Strong John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Henry Verveelen Nicholas Carmer John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Philip Ten Eyck John P Ritter	Assistts

Three Petitions to the Legislature the one for a Law to raise Monies by Tax for defraying the public Expences in this City & County agreable to the Estimate agreed to by the Board at the last Meeting—the other to provide for the payment of the $45,000 borrowed by this Board on the credit of the [146] State from the Bank of New York, purst to the Act " To raise a Sum of Money for the use of this State by Tax & for the further support of Government." passed the 3d April 1799—and the other for a Law to alter the System of Governmt & managemt of the Alms House and Bridewell & to encrease the number of Fire Men in this City; were respectively read & agreed to by the Bd

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petitions & that Mr Mayor be requested to subscribe them on behalf of the Board

Ordered that Mr Jenkins be permitted to use one of the new fire Engines under the care of the Foreman & Mr Howell to draw the Water out of his Ship drifted on the Rocks at Coarlars Hook.

Ordered that Cornelius Voorheis Joseph Devoe & Alexander Richie Inspectors of fire Wood be respectively removed from Office.

Ordered that Matthew Redett be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood at the Hay Scales Hudson River vice Corns Voorheis And that Wm Crum be appointed to the said Office at & to the Eastward of Catharine Slip

A Letter from Thomas Morris Esqr to Mr Mayor on the subject of Compensation to Major L'Enfant for his Services in planning & rebuilding the City Hall for the accommodation of Congress agreable to the Resolution of this Board on the 12th October 1789. was read & it was determined that on Major L'Enfant's making application himself the same would be taken into consideration.

[147] The Committee on the subject of the Common Lands sold some Years ago made the following Report vizt

That there are a number of Lots sold for which the Purchasors

have not complied with the Terms of sale as will appear by a statement accompanying the same. The Committee are of Opinion that immediate & decisive Measures ought to be taken to bring that Business to final conclusion. They therefore beg leave to recommend to the Board that the Clerk be requested to present the Deeds to the several Purchasors, or now holders, of those Lots so purchased by them And that he report to this Board on the third Monday in february next of all such Holders of Lots as have not complied with the Terms of sale, that the Board may take such Proceedings thereon as to put a speedy determination to the same;

Robt Lenox
Joshua Barker
John Nitchie

A Petition of David Ackerman for a Grant of the Soil under Water in Hudsons River opposite to his Ground in the sixth Ward was read & granted on the like Terms as the other Water Lots in that Neighborhood

Ordered that the Suits brought against Capt Robert Cummins be discontinued on payment of Costs & entering into Bond with Security to indemnify the City agt the maintenance of a Woman Passenger he brought into this City.

Ordered the like on a Suit brought against Capt James Wilbur.

[148] A Petition of James Watson, John Murray Junr & John Jones on the subject of the Plan, reported by the Committee, for running out Piers into the River beyond South Street for the accommodation of Shipping was read

Ordered that the Treasr demand of Thomas Ivers an Acct of the Monies which he has received of Persons for the use of the Water Lots reserved as a Bason at Corlaers Hook & immediate Payment thereof agreable to the Order of the Common Council of the 1st June 1795.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed firemen of this City vizt

	Robert Fairchild 4th Wd	Baker
	Hazel Meyers 4th —	Shoemaker
	Samuel Downing 4 Wd	Taylor
	Abraham Lazilier Junr 4th Wd	Blacksmith
Engine No 3	Edward Smith 5th Wd	Hatter
	Thomas McCready 2d Wd	Shoemaker
	Thomas Bennet 3d Wd	Cabt maker
	John F Thurston 7th Wd	Mason

Engine N° 8.	Robert Sneeden 6th Wd..... vice Abraham Brevoort resigned	Cartman
d° N° 15.	John Ackerman 5th Ward..... vice John Smith	Windsor Chr maker

Isaac Macomb from the Engine at State Prison & Jacob Shatzel from N° 25 were respectively removed to Engine N° 3.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Rensselaer Havens for 2 lost fire Buckts.....	$4
issd	Judith Coffin for 1 d°.....	$2
issd	Proprietor of the Daily Advertizer.....	$37 50/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	[149] Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nicholas Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Theophs Beekman Justice of Police.....	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie the like.....	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of d°.....	$225
issd	George Furman for Repairs to Lamps.....	£17: 13: 7

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of Jany 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox Selah Strong Joshua Barker John B Coles John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Jacob J Arden Henry Verveelen John Nitchie Philip Brasher Philip Ten Eyck John P Ritter	Assistts

A Memorial to the Legislature on the subject of the Delinquency of the Collector of Taxes in the Bowery Division of the 7th Ward & for provision by Law to render the collection of Taxes more secure was read & agreed to by the Board and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

Ordered that Thomas Tom be appointed a fire Man & fire Warden vice Wm Bowne deceased.

[150] A Memorial of Major P. Charles L'Enfant claiming compensation for his Services in planning & directing the Improvements made to the City Hall for the accommodation of the Congress of the United States in the Year 1789 was read and the Board on considering the subject determined to allow Major L'Enfant seven hundred & fifty

Dollars in full discharge of all further Claims against this Board for or on Account of his said Services and that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for payment thereof accordingly

A Petition of several Boatman & Citizens praying that a proper Bason be provided for the accommodation of Hay Boats & the unlading of Hay was read and referred to the Street Commissrs

Richard Ten Eyck Inspector of Loaf Bread exposed to sale in this City, attended & signified to the Board that he declined the Office And thereupon Jonathan Pearsee was nominated & appointed in his stead.

An Ordinance was passed for raising & filling in the Intersections of the several Streets which cross Greenwich Street between the end of the present Pavement & the Bridge at Bastavers Killetie

The Auditing Committee reported on the annual Accts of the Street Commissrs that they examined the same and found them Right which said Acct & Report thereon was read & filed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	David Marshall for supg the public burying Gd.....	£20: 8:—
issd	Thomas Hazard for lightg Lamps.....	£92: 3:10
issd	Abm O Stansbury for 2 lost fire Bucksts.....	$4
issd	Charles Wright for the like.....	$4
issd	Nathl Clark towards a new Well in Crown point St.....	$16 25/100

[151] Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed Fire Men vizt

Engine No 3	John Segar 4th Ward Innholder—George Arcularius 4th Wd Baker—Christian Brown 2d Wd Bookbinder William Sim 1 Wd Scrivener
do No 11	Wm Bogardus 2d Wd Grocer vice Jacob Van Wagenen Junr resigned.
No 15	Joseph Chadwick 7th Wd Rigger vice Evan Lewis
No 21	Judson White 5th Wd Hatter vice John Webb resigned

City of New York } At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 2d day of Febv 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong John B Coles John Bogert Joshua Barker	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Nichs Carmer Jacob J Arden Henry Verveelen John P. Ritter	Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House and Bridewell, the Committee of Accts reported that the[y] had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell as to the expenditures the last Quarter & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to	£3941:10: 8
Those of the Bridewell.....to	552:15: 3

An Estimate for the ensuing Qr was read & agreed to vizt

for the Alms House	£4000:—:—
for the Bridewell	£300:—:—
	£4300:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts for paymt thereof accordingly.

[152] An Application of Willet Seaman one of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for an Allowance to him as Treasr of the Board for receiving & paying out the Monies expended for those Institutions was read And it was determined that he be allowed for the two Years last past & in future at the rate of one quarter per Cent for those Services.

A Petition to the Legislature for a new Law to regulate Buildings & to prevent Fires in this City was read & agreed to by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto & to be subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of the Board.

The Draft of the Law prayed for by the said Petition was also read & approved

A Petition of the Firemen for the appointment of a Person as Chief Enginier in the place of the Person now exercising that Office was read & referred to the Aldn of the 6th & the Assistts of the 2d & 4th Wards to enquire into the Facts stated in the said Petition.

Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] take Order for causing any Obstructions in the Streets on De Lanceys Ground to be immediately removed And that they enquire & report to the Board whether the Corporation of Trinity Church have ceded to the public the Streets which cross Greenwich Street between Provoost Street & Bastavers Killetie And also that they without delay enquire into the State of Sinks & Privies & report such Measures as may be necessary to prevent their becoming Offensive next Summer

[153] On reading A Petition of Cap[t] Curtis Blakeman & an Affidavit of Cap[t] John Palmer praying Relief on Suits commenced against them for not complying with the Law with respect to the landing of Passengers; The Board determine that on their entering into Bonds as by Law is required the Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

A Petition of the Bakers & another of the Citizens relative to the present Law with respect to Loaf Bread was read And it was determined that a change in the System at present would be inexpedient.

A Petition of Albert Amerman to be an Inspector of fire Wood was read & rejected

Ordered that Jesse Rich 6[th] W[d] Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 23 vice Anthony Steenback resigned

Ordered that Rinier Skaats be permitted to employ an Assistant to him in making Fire & other Services in the City Hall.

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board Viz[t]

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the Brooklyn Ferry Report.

That your Committee are of Opinion the Complaints that have been made for some years past for the want of proper Attention and management of the Brooklyn Ferry have principally been owing to the Want of a Sober, discreet man to go in each Boat, to give directions, and to have the Sole management of it your Committee concieve the want of this regulation to be the great cause of all the Contention strife and irregularities that have taken place in crossing the [154] Ferry to remedy which evil your Committee recommend that ten Boats be employed in the Old Ferry from the first of April to the first of January in every year, five of them Large and five small Boats, agreeable to the Sizes made use of at present and from the first day of January to the first day of April eight Boats to be employed four large and four small, that three Men be employed in each Boat one of which to be a Sober discreet Man and well acquainted with the nature of the Current in the River to Steer the Boat and to have the Sole direction and Management thereof, that the ferry Boats be made use of for no

other purpose but to transport Passengers and goods to and from the ferry Stairs.

Your Committee recommend that after Sunset on Week days and the whole of the Sabbath the ferry Master be permitted to receive double ferriage.

With respect to the New Ferry it is recommended that five Boats be employed, three large and two small Boats as at present that they have the same Number of Men to each Boat and receive the same rate of ferriage and be governed by the same regulations as is recommended at the Old ferry.

If the Board should think proper to adopt these Regulations it will Considerably increase the expence of the ferry to meet which expence your Committee recommend a moderate increase of the present rates of ferriage, they have carefully revised the existing Law and recommend the rates annexed to be taken after the first day of May next.

All which is respectfully Submitted by

Selah Strong
Philip Brasher
John Bogert

Ordered that a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to Carry the said Report into effect be prepared that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor Subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

[155] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	John Harison for 1 lost fire Bucket	$2

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11th day of febr 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		Nicholas Carmer	

Ordered that Isaac Chardavine Inspector of Fire Wood at Coenties Slip be removed from Office; and that John Brogden the other Inspector do duty in his Place 'till another be appointed

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots An Ordinance was passed for emptying & cleansing the Sinks & Privies on certain Lots in the low Parts of the 3d & 5th Wards by the 25th of March next

An Application of Caspar Semler to dig Earth from the Hill at Enclambergh to fill up a stagnant Pond considered by the Neighborhood unhealthy: was read & granted under the direction of the Road Commissrs

An Application of Wm De Peyster formerly Treasr of the Board of Commissrs of the Alms House for a similar Allowance to that granted to Willet Seaman the present Treasurer was read & postponed.

[156] The Treasurer presented a Letter from Thomas Ivers relative to the Monies he has received from Persons for the use of the Water Lot reserved as a Bason at Corlaers Hook with an Acct thereof amounting to £74:3:6.

Ordered that on Mr Ivers making Oath to the said Acct the Treasurer receive from him one half of the Amount Mr Ivers to retain the other half for his Services. And that the Treasr collect such Monies as may be due from others for the use of the said Bason And further that he take order with the advice of the St Commissrs for letting out the said Bason in future.

Ordered that the Road Commissrs take order to compleat the old Mile Stones on the Post Road from the City Hall to Kings Bridge & set up new Mile Stones, (from the present three mile Stone) up the new Middle Road & across Bensons Creek to Coles's Bridge across Harlem River.

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed fire Men vizt

Engine

Do 17 Adolph Carter 5th Wd Boat builder

Peter Garlock 5th Wd Ship Wright

Eldad Holmes 5th Wd Grocer

The 3 last vice.

James Drake 5th Wd Shopkeeper—John Collet 5th Wd Blockmaker & Charles Smith 5th Wd China & Glass Store keeper.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Peter Hawes, Coroner for Inquests	$65 75/100
issd	Michl Brooks for repairs Lamps	£42: 5: 4
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court for three Mths Service	$456
issd	John Manley for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4
issd	John Rathbone for 4 Do	$8
issd	Henry Post for 1 Do	$2

issd	Wm Moores for 1 Do	$2
issd	George Coldwell 1 Do & 1 repair'd	$2 75/100
issd	Mitchell Rider 1 Do	$2
issd	Jane Nathan 2 Do	$4
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$500

[157] Martin Morrison late Collector of Taxes of the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward having conveyed to this Board a certain Lot of Ground in the said Ward and he also having assigned & transferred to this Board the Term yet to come & unexpired on a Lease from Anna Bancker to him of a certain other Lot or Piece of Ground in the same Ward for the purpose of paying certain Sums of Money due from & which ought to have been paid by him into the Treasury of this City as Collector of Taxes as aforesaid.

Ordered that the Treasurer of this City do cause the said two Lots of Ground to be sold at public Auction to the highest Bidder on the following Terms vizt Ten per Cent of the purchase Money to be paid at the time of Sale—One third part of the Residue on the first day of May next when possession is to be given—One other third part thereof in six Months thereafter with Interest and the Residue in one Year from the said first day of May next with Interest

Notes with approved Indorsers may be 'taken in payment.

[158] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday febr 16th 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Nichs Carmer Jacob J Arden Philip Brasher John P Ritter Henry Verveelen	Assistts

On reading a Letter from Elias Kane to the Clerk covering a Letter from Major L'Enfant to Mr Kane, in which the Major signifies his unwillingness to accept the Allowance made him by this Board on the 26th Ulto for his Services in planning & directing the Improvements to the City Hall for the accommodation of Congress in 1789 & requesting this Board to reconsider the subject & make him a greater Allowance, the Board determined not to reconsider the subject

Ordered the Tax Book of the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward which was delivered up by Martin Morrison the late Collector be de-

livered to the present Collector to collect such Monies thereon as remain uncollected.

On reading a Petition of John Griffith

Ordered that he be permitted to make a Vault to his new House to be built at the Corner of Maiden Lane & William Street & to erect a Line in Maiden Lane under the usual Restrictions.

[159] Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men to Engine N^{o} 25 viz^{t}

John Stilwell 5th Ward Carpenter Jacob Acker 6th Ward Cartman Barry Collis 5 Ward Cab^{t} Maker Vice George Minuse, Sylvanus Pine & Jacob Shatzel resigned.

And the follow^{g} to Engine N^{o} 12 viz^{t} Henry Aubeck 5th Ward Tanner & Currier vice Allen Clapp resigned and Genet Martinot 5th Ward Umbrellamaker vice Thomas Tom appointed Fire Warden

The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the yearly Account of Thomas Hazard Superintendant of the Lamp Department & found it right. that he has received for Oil Casks and lighting private Lamps two hundred & twenty seven Pounds three Shillings & that he has paid out for carting Oil seventeen Pounds eighteen Shillings, and retained to his own use for his Salary ninety five Pounds and that a ballance of One hundred & fourteen Pounds five Shill^{gs} remains due to the Corporation.

Ordered that M^{r} Hazard do immediately pay the said ball^{ce} into the City Treasury

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Henry Verveelen for Copy of Law relative to Collectors of Taxes	$1
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary & Disbursem^{ts}	£23:11:—
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	George Stanton for 1 lost fire Bucket	$2
iss^{d}	W^{m} R Thurston for 1 d^{o}	$2
iss^{d}	Abigail Roorbach for 2 d^{o}	$4
iss^{d}	Peter Stuyvesant Jun^{r} 1 d^{o}	$2
iss^{d}	Garrit H Van Wagenen 2 d^{o}	$4

[160] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Feb^{y} 23^{d} 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Selah Strong Joshua Barker Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Robert Lenox	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Philip Brasher Henry Verveelen John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Nich^{s} Carmer John P Ritter	Assist^{ts}

A Petition of Garrit Fountain & Richard Farrel for Relief on certain Suits brought against them for contravening the Law or Ordinance for regulating the Office of Weighmaster was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Treasurer keep his Acc^{t} with & make his Deposits of all Monies which shall come to his hands & belonging to or subject to the direction of this Board in the Bank of New York.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Henry Street praying that the said Street between Charlotte & Rutgers may be paved was read & referred to the S^{t} Commiss^{rs}

Petitions of James Thomson, on behalf of Robert Johnson, of Ab^{m} K Brasher & of ... M^{c}Fall Masters of Vessels praying Relief on Suits brought against them for landing Passengers contrary to Law were respectively read.

Ordered that on their entering into Bond with security as the Law directs the said Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

[161] On reading a Petition of W^{m} Earle confined in Goal on a Suit brought against him by the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the expences of supporting his Bastard Child in the Alms House Ordered that the Commissioners be authorized to discontinue the said Suit on payment of Costs & on the said William Earle's paying or securing to be paid the Demand of the said Commissioners against him at the rate of ten Shillings in the Pound, and giving security to indemnify the Public against any future expence in supporting the said Bastard Child

Ordered that the Street Commissioners view the State of Front Street in order that a regulation may be made for opening the communication in that Street from Pecks Slip to Dover Street & that they report to the Board at the next Meeting the Measures necessary to be taken thereon.

A Memorial of Benjamin Romaine, on behalf of D^{r} Nicholas Romaine who is absent, relative to the situation of his Land bounded

on the River at Corlaers Hook; was read & referred to the Treasurer & Commissrs

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City.

Engine No 4 Joseph Skelton 3d Wd Accomptant vice George Keeler removed to No 8.

No 15 Wm Gardiner 7th Wd Painter & Glazier vice John Brown.

Ordered that the Treasr with the St Commissrs take order for letting the small House at the Corner of Pearl St & State Street

[162] Ordered that the Aldn of the 2d 3d 4th & 6th Wards & the Assistt of the 1st Ward be a Committee to take into consideration the subject of carrying out Piers into the River beyond South Street & report to the Board the most proper manner of effecting the Measure

A Petition of Abner Curtis Butcher for a Stall & Standing in the Fly Market was read & granted.

Ordered that the Treasr pay out of any Monies in his Hands the amount of the State Tax deducting the Collection fees to be levied & collected in this City the present Year into the State Treasury.

On a Report of the Clerk relative to the Common Lands sold at Auction. Ordered that the Street Commissioners call on such of the Purchasors who have not taken their Deeds & tender to them their respective Deeds & preserve Evidence of the cases of refusal to accept And that they be authorized to give such further times of payment not exceeding one Year to such as appear disposed to keep the Land by them purchased & are willing to accept their Deeds as may be deemed expedient—The Deeds to be executed as an Escrow to be retained until the purchase Money shall be paid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Elizth Glover for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	$4

[163] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Nichs Carmer Henry Verveelen	Assistts

Mr Mayor laid before the Board the follows Application which he had received in a Letter to him from Jonathan Pearssee Junr

"To the honorable the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened. The Subscribers being

appointed a Committee by a Meeting of respectable Citizens to make arrangements for celebrating the inauguration of a President of the United States on the fourth of March Instant, beg leave to represent that they have applied to the Governors of several Churches and obtained leave for the ringing of their Bells on the above Occasion. That the Bells of the Episcopalian and Dutch Churches may be obtained if permission shall be granted by this honorable Body: The Committee therefore wish the Corporation would authorize an Application for the above Purpose.

New York March 2d 1801

(In behalf of the General Committee)

Wm Boyd
Mat: L Davis
James Warner
Robt Swartwout
James Manning

[164] Whereupon it was determined by the Bd And Resolved that this Board have no objection to the ringing of the Bells of the Churches to Morrow on the inauguration of a President of the United States provided Permission be obtained from the Governors of the several Churches.

Ordered that Frederick Mabie be appointed a Measurer of Grain

The following Persons were reappointed Inspectors of Fire Wood at the following Places in this City vizt

	Matthew Redette	At Rhinelanders Wharf
	Thomas Eagles	from Vesey Street to Rhinelanders Wharf
Hudson River	Henry Crum & Martin Crygier	At the Corporation Wharf
	Magnus Garrit	At the Albany Bason
	John Brogden	At White Hall
East River	William Allen & John Van Denbergh	At Coenties Slip & Albany Piers
	Thomas Johnston	At Burling's Slip & Beekman's Slip
	James Black &	At Pecks Slip
	Henry Beekman & Saml Cunningham	At James Slip & at Catharine Slip
	William Crum	Eastwd of Cathn Slip

Ordered that all the other Persons heretofore appointed Inspectors of Fire Wood be displaced & removed from Office.

[165] Ordered that the Aldermen of the 4th, 6th, & 7th Wards & the Assistants of the 3d, & 7th Wards be a Committee to enquire into the present system of repairing the public Roads & to report to the Board such improvement therein as may tend to greater economy in the expence & improve the state & condition of the Roads.

The Street Commissioners report that Philip Ruckle hath compleated the filling & raising Thomas, Chapel, Church & Cath^n Street agreable to his contract & recommend that his Bond be cancelled. Ordered that his said Bond be cancelled & deliver'd up to him accordingly.

The S^t Commissioners also report that in order to prevent further Injury to the Garden of Andrew Morris by leading the Water from the Bowery Road through it by a common Ditch, as there is no other way for the Water to pass off except by cutting a Ditch for a great distance through the land of Peter Stuyvezandt, the least expensive method will be to pave a Gutter of about three feet wide for a certain Distance. Ordered that the Street Commiss^rs take order for doing it in that way accordingly.

Ordered that M^r Mayor pay M^r Recorder, out of the Monies in his Hands from Tavern Licences, one hundred Pounds for six Months as Counsel to this Corporation agreable to the Allowance agreed to be made him by this Board.

[166] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11^th day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor

John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Selah Strong Robert Lenox Joshua Barker	Esq^rs Ald^n	Philip Brasher John Nitchie John P Ritter Nich^s Carmer Jacob J Arden	Assist^ts

M^r Mayor communicated to the Board a Letter he had received from his Excellency Gov^r Jay informing him that on removing from this City to Albany with his family four of the Chairs which were sent from the City Hall to the Gov^t House were taken with his Furniture to Albany: His Excellency requested the direction of the Board as to the future disposition of those Chairs whether they should be returned to this City or left in Albany on his removal from thence.

Whereupon the B^d determined that M^r Mayor be requested to inform his Excellency that it is their wish that he retain the use of the said Chairs until the Common Council shall otherwise direct

On a reconsideration of the subject the Board rescind the order of the 23^d Inst relative to the letting of the small House at the Corner of State & Pearl Streets.

[167] A Representation & proposal of the Inspectors of the State

Prison relative to the confinement of Persons, in the State Prison, who are convicted of petty Larceny Offences & recommending to the Corporation the erection of a Building in the Yard of the State Prison with Cells for the confinement of such Characters; was read And on consideration of the subject the Board determined the Measure inexpedient at present

An Application of James & Ebenezer Watson on behalf of the United States requesting that this Board would grant to the United States their Right to the Soil from high to low Water Mark in the River at the Wallaboght on Nassau Island, in front of certain Land lately purchased of John Jackson for the establishmt of a Navy Yard for the United States was read & agreed to by the Board and the Dr of a Grant was ordered to be prepared accordingly.

A Request of Robert Bowne Thomas Eddy & Isaac Kibbe for an Order to compel the Proprietors of the Water Lots between their Lots & the Coffee House Slip to compleat the Wharf & filling of their Lots on South Street was read & referred to the Street Commissrs to report on at the next meeting of the Board.

Petitions of Joseph Wheldon & Alexr Don for Relief agt Suits brought for landing Passengers contrary to Law were read

Ordered that on their entering into Bonds as the Law directs the Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

[168] Estimates & Assessments for the filling & regulating of Beach, Hubert, Vestry, Laight, Desbrosses, Brannon & Budd Streets in the sixth Ward were respectively read & ratified by the Board And Tunis Riker was appointed to collect & receive the Monies on the said Assessments And Henry Hulsart, Abm Stagg & Thos Stagg were appointed to execute the Work of Beach, Vestry, Laight, Desbrosses & Brannon Streets and Duncan Campbell of Hubert, & Budd Streets.

The Street Commissrs represent to the Board that by the present Regulation of Greenwich Street the Causeway opposite the Meadow Ground of Mr Anthony Lispenard will become in a dangerous Situation & in their Opinion calls for the interference of the Corporation and as it would be a peculiar hardship on Mr Lispenard to be at the Expence of filling in the Street as he derives no advantage of consequence from it they recommend the filling in the West side thereof at the Expence of the Corporation.

Ordered that the St Commissioners take order for filling in the said Street accordingly.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs enquire into the State of the

Corporation property along the Hudson to the end that those who use it may be called on for compensation.

Ordered that an Election be held in the third Ward at the House of Charles Gardner Innholder on Tuesday the 24th Instant of an Assessor in the stead of Thomas Tom who being of the People called Quakers refused to serve.

[169] Thomas Eddy one of the Inspectors at the State Prison attended the Board & informed that several of the Prisoners had lately broken out & escaped & suggested the necessity of a small Guard to walk round the Wall of the Prison Yard during the night Whereupon the Board directed that eight additional Watchmen equipped with fire Arms be employed & stationed at the State Prison at the expence of the Inspectors for the purpose aforesaid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the new Mud Drudge for cleans the Slips	$1000
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lights public Lamps	£94: 7:10
issd	Hannah Jenkins for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4
issd	John S Hunn for 1 Do	$2

[170] City of New York ss At a Common Council held on Monday March 16th 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie
Mangle Minthorne		Philip Brasher
John Bogert		John P Ritter
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck
Joshua Barker		Jacob J Arden
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer

It being signified to the Board that George Lindsay on the part of this Bd and Wm Rhinelander on the part of the Heirs of Nicholas Roosevelt decd as Arbitrators could not agree on the amount of the recompence which ought to be made to the said Heirs for the Land taken to improve Greenwich Street, & lying on the West side thereof and that they wished the Parties to choose an Umpire. Whereupon the Board nominated Joshua Sands Esqr to which Mr Robt Gilchrist who was present assented.

A Petition of Seth Seely praying Relief on a Suit brought against him for not complying with the Law relative [to] the landing of Passengers was read Ordered that on his entering into Bond as the Law requires the Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

A Petition of John Willis Rich[d] Farrel & Garrit Fountain complaining of misconduct in Daniel Kemper as a public Weighmaster was read & referred to Ald[n] Strong & Lenox & M[r] Nitchie.

[171] A Memorial of several Persons complaining of the great Interruption to the Trade in that Quarter by the filling of Coenties Slip with Sea Vessels to the exclusion of Coasters & River Vessels. was read & referred & to Ald[n] Strong & Lenox & M[r] Nitchie

On reading a Petition of Effingham Embree & others Proprietors of Lots in the neighborhood praying that this B[d] would take legal Measures for obtaining ten feet of the Lot of John Quackenbos to encrease the Breadth of Leonard Street to 50 feet, the present breadth of the said Street from Hudson Street, to the said Lot of the said John Quackenbos, and on a suggestion by the S[t] Commiss[rs] that only twenty five feet or one half of the breadth of 50 feet of the said Street from Hudson Street to the said Lot of John Quackkenbos had been conveyed or ceded to this B[d] as a public Street; the B[d] determined that whenever the Proprie[tor] of the Land should convey or cede the other half of the said Street as they ought to do this Board would take the necessary legal Measures.

Ordered that Ab[m] Moore of the 4[th] W[d] Cartman be appointed a Fireman to Engine N° 14 vice Jaspar Stanton resigned.

On the Application of Ald[n] Barker Ordered that the neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well in such part of Mott Street and another in such part of Greenwich or Harison Street as the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward shall direct

[172] Ordered that Jacob Leroy be permitted to make an Area & Vault in Liberty Street in front of his new House; under the direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

An Acc[t] of Anthony Dey Esq[r] Att[y] for this B[d] to prosecute Suits brought in the Justices Court on the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Board and on the State Law for regulating Inns or Taverns, on which there appeared a Ball[ce] of $44 $^{5}/_{100}$ due to this Board, was audited by the Committee of Acc[ts] & agreed to by the B[d]

Ordered that M[r] Dey pay the said Ball[ce] to the City Treasurer

Resolved that Daniel Phœnix Treasurer be & he is hereby authorized & directed to receive of the Treasurer of the State of New York all such Monies as may be due to this City & County in purs[u]ance

of the Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Schools" passed the 9th April 1795.

Ordered that the Treasurer report to the Board at the next Meeting a Statement of the amount of all the Monies which he has received of the State Treasurer & from the Taxes under the said Act for the encouragement of Schools Also the Amount of such of the said Monies as have from time to time been distributed, among the Charity Schools in this City by order of this Board.

[173] On Motion of Mr Brasher.

Resolved that in future no Member of this Board be appointed to any Office under the authority of this Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£2:18: 6
issd	Thos Mitchell Assistt to Rinier Skaats for 1 Month's Services	$15
issd	Wm Humphryes for 1 lost fire Bucket	$2
issd	Willet Seaman for 2 Do	$4
issd	Hugh Gobel for the City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables Marshalls & Watchmen in conveying Vagrants &c to Bridewell	£42: 5:—

[174] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday March 23d 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck
John Bogert		Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorne		John P Ritter
Jotham Post		Jacob J Arden
Joshua Barker		

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of John Oothout and others respecting the lying of Vessels in Coenties Slip Report

That the Memorialists state that some time past by Consent of the Corporation, they Erected at their own expence a Middle Pier in Coenties Slip as they Supposed for the Accommodation of North River Vessels only, but of late Sea Vessels are permitted to lie in the

Slip in the Winter Season and particularly from the 25th of December to the 25th of March to the exclusion of North River Vessels that would otherwise be laid up in that Slip for the Winter, that the penalty against large Vessels coming into the Slips is too small, as the owners had rather pay the penalty than remove out of the Slips that the Dock Master or persons who hire the public Slips permit & encourage Vessels for their own profit to come into the Slips which the Law does not authorise. The Memorialists further pray that the Corporation would take such measures as to secure to the North River Vessels a preference in [175] that Slip and to allow them such other privileges as shall be proper and necessary to carry on the trade to that part of the Country.

Although the Corporation did give permission to Certain persons residing in the Neighbourhood of Coenties Slip, at their own request to erect a Pier in that Slip for the Accommodation of Vessels yet the Committee are of opinion it was never intended to give any exclusive privilege to the North River Vessels to use that Pier. It appears that the Petitioners have not well understood the Law to regulate the Public Wharves and Slips as that Law forbids all Sea Vessels of any Size, and Coasters above 80 Tons to Come into the Slips at any time of the year unless by Special permission in writing from a Magistrate

The Committee believe the existing Law would be fully adequate to the relief of the Petitioners with some little alterations Viz[t] to increase the penalty to Ten Dollars upon every Sea Vessel of any Size or any Coaster above 80 Tons that shall come into any of the Slips without a written permission from a Magistrate, the Dock Master has no Authority to permit any Vessel to come into the Slips which the Law forbids but the Master of such Vessels are liable to be fined notwithstanding his permission.

The Committee are of opinion that it would not be proper to grant to the North River Vessels any exclusive privileges in Coenties Slip as it would give just cause of offence to other parts of this State and to the Neighbouring States. all which is Submitted by.

March 23[d] 1801

Selah Strong
Rob Lenox
John Nitchie

Ald[n] Strong & Lenox & M[r] Nitchie to whom was referred the Petition of John Willis Richard Harnet & Garrit Fountain pray[ing] that the Weighmasters be prohibited from purchasing any Articles which they are permitted to weigh, report that in their Opinion the

Prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted; which was agreed to by the Board.

[176] Ordered that the Neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well at such place at or near the Corner of Hester & Catharine Streets as the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward shall direct.

Resolved that the Treasurer exhibit to this Board next Meeting an Acct of the Monies in his hands arising from the Estates of Intestates on which by Law he is directed ex officio to administer designating the Sum recd from each Estate And that in his future monthly Accts to be reported to this Board he distinguish those Monies & the amount of School Money from other Monies arising from Revenue & Tax.

On a representation of the St Commissrs that in order to facilitate the working of the Mud Machine & Scow in cleansing & removing the Filth & Mud from the public Slips before the setting in of the hot Weather, and Ordinance will be necessary to prevent the lying of Vessels in such Slip as the said Machine & Scow shall be employed in without leave of the Commissrs

An Ordinance to prevent the lying of Vessels in such Slip as the Mud Machine & Scow may be employed in was agreed to by the Board and passed & ordered to be published accordingly.

Ordered that the St Commissioners report a Plan & Estimate of the Expence for carrying out a Pier on the West side of Pecks Slip to the permanent Line.

Ordered that the Aldn of the 2d & 3d & the Assistt of the 3d Wards be a Committee to enquire into the expediency of granting a certain number of Butchers Standings in the Fish Market & Catharine Market.

[177] On a reconsideration of an Allowance to Anthony Dey as Prosecutor on behalf of this Bd The Board determined that in future Mr Dey as their Attorney be allowed one half of the Penalties recovered on all Suits brought in the Justices Court under the Corporation Bye Laws or Ordinances And they also determine that under the Law for the due observance of the Sabbath one half of the Penalties recovered be paid to the Informer

Resolved that the old Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to the Ferry Stairs at Brooklyn As also the new Ferry from Catharine Slip to Sands Wharf at Brooklyn be let for one Year from the first day of May next on the following Conditions viz^t At the old Ferry there must be four large & three small Boats of the usual Size & Form & at the new Ferry three large & two small Boats of like Size & Form—Each Boat

to be worked and managed by two sufficient Oarsmen & one competent Helmsman—The Lessees must be subject to the Regulations established by the Act of the Legislature & such Rules & orders as shall from time to time be made & established by the Common Council touching the said Ferries Written Proposals sealed to be received at the Clerks Office until 12 O'Clock on Saturday the 4th April next—The Person making the best Offer to be entitled to a Lease (provided the Common Council shall adjudge him competent to the due management of the Business) on his entering in Bond with approved Surety for his good Conduct & payment of the Rent quarterly

[178] Ordered that for the four ensuing Sundays two of the Constables or Marshalls be employed to attend at the Battery, the Bowling Green & the Park respectively to prevent the Boys or disorderly Persons play[ing] in those Places & injuring the Trees or Grass and that each Constable or Marshall be allowed for this Service one Dollar for each Sunday

Ordered that the Butchers in the several Markets provide themselves with Scales & Weights at their respective Stalls; and that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets see to the observance of this Order & report all such as shall neglect or refuse to comply therewith.

On a Representation of Waters Furman, who was appointed by this Board to collect & receive the Monies assessed for the paving of Harman Street from Charlotte Street to East Rutger's Street purst to an Ordinance of this Board, that among other Lots four vacant Lots were assessed to Roger Alden as Proprietor at the Sum of £34: 15: 4 and that he has not been able to find the said Roger or any other Person claiming the said Lots to demand the said Money of.

iss[d] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay Waters Furman the said Monies so assessed on the said Lots to be charged to & remain as a Lien* on the said Lots purst to the Statute in such Case made and provided.

And to pay

iss[d]	Willet Seaman Junr for one lost fire Bucket.....	$2
iss[d]	James Woods for repairg Lamps.....	£28: 11: 3
iss[d]	And Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$1000

* Marginal note reads *Lien on Lotts of Roger Alden £34: 15: 4.*—ED.

[179] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 25th day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong Jotham Post Joshua Barker John Bogert Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Nichs Carmer Jacob J Arden John P Ritter Philip Brasher Henry Verveelen

Assists

On Motion the Board proceeded to reconsider the Resolution of last Meeting for letting Brooklyn Ferries and Resolved that the said Ferries be let for the Term of three Years from the first day of May next That the number of large Boats at the New Ferry be reduced to two instead of three And that the number of Men to each Boat at both Ferries be reduced to two.

Resolved that all such Lots of the Common Lands which were sold at Public Auction as the Purchasors thereof have hitherto neglected or refused to accept their Deeds & pay the consideration Money be again put up & sold to the highest Bidder at the City Hall on Tuesday the 14th day of April next at 12 OClock under the direction of the Street Commissrs & a Committee of this Board.

[180] The Committee for the purpose appointed made the following Report on the Application of the Manhattan Company relative to the Colick or Fresh Water Pond; which was agreed to by the Board vizt

"That they have had a Meeting with a Committee of that Company—that the said Committee have caused a Survey to be made of the Colick & the Ground around it & have marked out the Lines of the Ground that will be wanting for the use of the said Company as will appear by the Survey accompanying this Report Your Committee are of Opinion that it would be inexpedient for this Board to take any Measures on the subject; but leave it to the operation of Law"

John Bogert
Selah Strong

Ordered that the St Commissrs agree with a competent Person to take the Charge of regulating the public Clocks in this City for any Sum not to exceed $200 per Annum.

Ordered that the follows firemen be appointed

Engine No 4 Thos L Rich 2d Wd Mercht Taylor vice Peter Lorillard resigned

N° 8 Joseph Tate 7th Wd Baker vice George Minuse resigned
N° 7 Wm Dyke 5th Wd Baker vice Gideon Waterbury resigned.

The Clerk presented the Dr of Deeds to Hugh Gaine, Peter P Van Zandt & Wm & Abm K Beekman of Parcels of the Common Lands agreed to be sold to them in the Year which were approved & ordered to be engrossed

[181] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday March 30th 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Joshua Barker		Philip Brasher	
Selah Strong		Nichs Carmer	
Mangle Minthorne		Jacob J Arden	
John Bogert		John P Ritter	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	

The Poll List of an Election held in the 3d Ward of an Assessor was read And John McQueen (who was elected at the said Election) together with Andrew Morris & Edward Nicoll for the 1st Ward & Abraham O Bogert for the 5th Ward elected Assessors at former Elections, attended & took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

A Petition for paving Cherry Street between George & East Rutgers Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that the Neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well in such part of Bedlow Street, near Birmingham Alley, as the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd shall direct.

On reading a Report of the St Commissrs An Ordinance was passed to make front Street & Wharf compleat from De Peyster's Store House to the northerly side of Dover Street Wharf by the 15th day of June next.

[182] The engrossed Deeds to Hugh Gaine, Peter P, Van Zandt & Wm & Abm K. Beekman for Parcels of the Common Lands adjoining their respective Lands were read & approved And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that John Riker 4th Wd Coachmaker be appointed a Fire Man to Engine N° 20 vice Antho Glean absent from this City.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take measures for collecting & securing

the Timber drifted from the Wharf at Belle Vue during the late Storm.

A Petition of Johan Rocloss Master of the Brig[t] Mentor from Hamburgh praying Relief on a Suit brought ag[t] him for landing Passengers contrary to Law was read. Ordered that on his entering into Bond as the Law directs the Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

Ordered that Peter M[c]Carty be permitted to lead the private Drain from his House into the Common Sewer in Jacob Street.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	W[m] Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92:16: 4

[183] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of April 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Philip Brasher	Assist[s]
Mangle Minthorne		Jacob J Arden	
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie	
Jotham Post		John P Ritter	
Robert Lenox		Nich[s] Carmer	
		Henry Verveelen	
		Philip Ten Eyck	

The Clerk presented to the Board the Proposals, sealed which he had received, for Brooklyn Ferries, & on opening of which Townsend & Nostrandt's Offer of $2600 Dollars per annum for three Years for the old Ferry & Jonathan Titus's Offer of $404 per annum for the like Term for the new Ferry were determined by the Board to be the best Offers & accepted.

A Petition of Samuel Stillwell & others for opening a Road through Jacob Harsens Land & across the Commons was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Petitions of Stephen Rawson Master of the Brig[t] Lidia & of W[m] Marrenner Master of the Brig[t] Trio for Relief on Suits bro't ag[t] them for landing Passengers contrary to Law were read & granted on the usual Terms.

[184] On reading a Petition Ordered that the Neighborhood of Cross & Orange Streets be permitted to sink a Well in such Place as the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward shall direct.

Request's of Ab[m] Brinckerhoof & of Swartwout & Dumont the former to erect a Lime House in Coenties Lane & the latter in Pearl Street were granted until their respective Buildings shall be under Roof

Ordered that Simon Van Antwerp be appointed a Measurer of Lime.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Corporation of Trinity Church to raise & fill up the Intersections of the Streets crossing Greenwich S[t] between the termination of the present Pavement & Bestaver's Killetie.

Ordered that M[r] Recorder be requested to enquire into the Circumstances & State of the Water Lots in front of the Estates of Remsen & Riker on the East side of Burlings Slip & report to the Board.

Ordered that M[r] Carmer enclose the whole of the Piece of Land, purchased for a public burying Ground, adjoining the two Roads with a tight Board Fence, and also to paint the Fence round the Park.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d] David Marshall for superintends the new public burys Ground.. £21

[185] City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of New York on Tuesday the 7th April 1801 Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Esq[rs] Ald[n]: Selah Strong, John Bogert, Mangle Minthorne, Jotham Post, Joshua Barker, Robert Lenox

Assist[s]: John Nitchie, Jacob J Arden, Philip Brasher, Philip Ten Eyck, Nich[s] Carmer, John P Ritter, Henry Verveelen

The Board proceeded to the election of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Gov[r] Lieutenant Governor, Senators & Members of Assembly & the following Persons were duly elected viz[t]

	Nicholas Evertson		Abraham Brinckerhoff
1st Wd	Henry White	2d Wd	Abraham Varick
	Aquila Giles		Peter Mackie
	James Scott		Anthony Post
3d Wd	John Titus	4th Wd	Bernard[s] Swartwout Jun[r]
	Walter Bowne		Joseph Winter

Wm Rhinelander	John Crolius Junr
5th Wd Leonard Fisher	6th Wd John P Groshon
Robt P. Lee	Fredck Rhinelander

William Neilson
7th Wd William Bayard
Jacob Morton

[186] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Mangle Minthorn	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assists
Robert Lenox		Jacob J Arden	
John B Coles		John P Ritter	
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck	
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Messrs Nitchie & Arden be a Committee to attend & direct the Sale of such of the Common Land Lots as the Purchasers have neglected or refused to accept their Deeds & pay the consideration Money. That the Sale of the said Lots be postponed 'till the first Tuesday in May next And that in the meantime the Deeds made out to the former Purchasers be sealed & signed by Mr Mayor to be tendered to the respective Purchasers by the Street Commissioners, who are to preserve Evidence thereof in cases of refusal to accept & pay the consideration Money.

Ordered that Aldn Coles Lenox Strong & Minthorn & Mr Ritter be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report to the Board such Improvement as they shall judge may be made to the Œconomy & Management of the [187] Alms House with an Eye to the Rules for the Government of the Alms House reported and agreed to by the Board on the 6th day of October last; but which, thro' want of an Act of the Legislature as petitioned for by this Board last Session, cannot be carried into full effect

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Theophs Beekman special Justice	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob D L Montagnie the like	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk Police Office	$225
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Cotton Gelston for Lamp Oil	£311: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert Selah Strong Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker Jotham Post John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer John Nitchie Philip Brasher John P Ritter Jacob J Arden	Assistts

[188] Ordered that the Street Commissrs meet with the Persons authorized for the purpose at Hallets Cove & confer with them on the subject of the Ferry near Hellgate & report the Result to the Board.

A Petition for suspending the Ordinance for paving Cherry St between Et George & Et Rutgers Streets was read & referred to the St Commissrs

A Petition of Stanton & Ross stating their Losses in keeping the old Brooklyn Ferry from the termination of Van Maters Lease last Fall during the Winter & praying a remission of the Rent was read And on the Question whether the Board would grant their Prayer it passed in the negative.

A Petition of Benja Page, Consignee of the Ship Eliza from Liverpool for Relief against an Attachment on the said Ship for landing Passengers contrary to Law; was granted on his complying with the usual Terms in such Cases & to indemnify the City agt such Passengers as were landed at Cape May & who are since come to this City.

A Petition of Peter Lott for the use of the upper Room in the new Watch House; was read & referred to the St Commissrs

A Petition of Bernards Swartwout Junr for a Grant of the Soil under Water in Hudsons River on the North of Thames Slip from the termination of his present Grant out to the permanent Line was read & the Draft of a Grant was ordered to be prepared accordingly.

[189] Ordered that on each Sunday for two Months to come two of the Peace Officers be employed one at the Battery & the other at the Park to prevent unruly Boys & others from playing in those Places & injuring the Trees & Grass and that each Officer employed be allowed one Dollar each Sunday.

The two following Reports of the St Commissrs were read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The St Commissrs on the Petition of Anthony Rutgers & others

on the Subject of a Bason at the lower end of Reade & Duane Streets for the accommodation of Hay Boats Report that they have examined the Place mentioned in the Petition and find that the permanent Line is there compleated agreable to the Plan laid down by the Bd some time since & from other existing Causes are of Opinion it would be inexpedient for the Board to erect a Bason agreable to the wish of the Petitioners.

On the Petition of Thomas Pearsall & others on the subject of an Engine House in the vicinity of Burlings Slip they Report that they have examined the situation at the head of Burling & Beekmans Slips and are of Opinion that the most eligible Place for erecting the said House is at Beekmans Slip directly in the rear of a Fountain erected by the Manhattan Co for supplying Shipping with Water

Richd Furman
John Bogert

Ordered that Robert McDermot be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his new House in Greenwich Street

[190] The Treasurer presented the follows Report vizt

The City Treasurer begs leave to Present to Com. Council the Sales of the property of Martin Morrison late Collector of the Seventh Ward.

The Lease of the Houses to J. Dobbins		2250
Lot in Christopher Street		60
		2310
The payment on the Lease 10 ℔ Ct	225	
Cash for the Lot	60	
	285	
Deduct Charges	17.77	17.77
Ballce of Cash in the hands of L Bleecker	267.23	
Neat Amt of Sales ℔ L Bleecker Drs		2292.23
Cash received from the Sheriff for the neat Amot of Goods Sold by him		222.94
Whole Amot of property sold Dr		2515.17
Notes due from J. Dobbins	2025	
Ballance of Cash	267.23	
		2292.23

The Board will be pleased to determine on the Sufficiency of the Indorsers named by Mr Bleecker and Direct an Assignment to James Dobbins of the Lease and a Conveyance of the Lot to Robert G. Boyd. who has paid the full Consideration Money to Mr Bleecker

Dan Phœnix City Treasr

New York April 17. 1801.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct.....	$1000
issd	Philip Tabelle as Clerk at 2 Elections of Assessor 3d Wd	$4
issd	Richardson Underhill for Lamp Oil.....	$1564 40/100
issd	Latham Bunker for the like.....	750 75/100
issd	John Farrington & other Peace Officers for prevents Injury to Trees &c at the Battery Bowling Green & Park	$20

[191] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Jotham Post		John P Ritter	
Mangle Minthorne		John Nitchie	
Joshua Barker		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
Robert Lenox		Jacob J Arden	

Mr Mayor informed the Board that Mr Riker of Newtown on Long Island had called on him to signify that himself with others of that Township had been appointed with full Powers to meet with a Committee of this Board if this Board should be pleased to appoint one with like Powers to treat confer & agree upon Terms for the establishment of a Ferry across the River from Horn's Hook Point to Hallets Point or Cove near Hell Gate Whereupon the Aldn of the 1st 3d & 7th Wards were appointed a Committee, to act with the Street Commissioners, to meet confer and agree for the purpose aforesaid with such Persons as may be appointed on the part of the Township of New Town.

The Bd agree that Mr Mayor direct two of the Peace Officers to attend each Poll of the Election & that they be allowed 1 Dollr each per Day

[192] On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots An Ordinance was passed by the Board requiring certain Sinks or Privies on

the following Lots to be cleansed by the 10th May next under the penalty of $100 each vizt

Owners	No of Lot	Street
Joseph Bird	294	Pearl
George Pick	292	Do
Caleb Frost	290	Do
Walter Bown	228	Water

The St Commissrs on the Petition of Peter Lot for the use of the upper Room in the new Watch House made a Report & it was ordered by the Board that they let him use the Room on such Terms as they shall think proper

A Petition of Gerard Walton respecting his Pier at the West side of the Fly Market Slip was read and referred to the St Commissioners to cause a Survey to be made of the Water Lots there to be reported to the Bd

A Petition of the neighborhood for the paving of Charlotte St was read & referred to the St Commissrs

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Furman & Loudon for printing	$98 25/100
issd	Joseph Webb for repairg Lamps	$10 18/100
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	$234 1/100

[193] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Corporation for the Good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained and published to be and Continued in force for one year vizt

"A Law for the due Observance of the Lords Day called Sunday

"A Law Directing the Uses of the Public Seals of the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Admission of Freemen in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Public Markets in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the quality and weight of Loaf Bread in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York.

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York.

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Landing and Sale of Hay in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale and Cartage of Manure, Sand and Clay in the City of New York.

[194] "A Law to regulate the fees of Weigh Masters and Measurers in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharves and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the rates of Wharfage.

"A Law for regulating fences in the City of New York

"A Law to prevent the setting of fences or other obstructions in the River within the Limits and Jurisdiction of the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Horses, to prevent their running loose in the Streets and to prevent racing in the Streets or Highways in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the passing of Carriages and Sleds meeting each other in the Public Streets and Roads in the City of New York.

"A Law to prevent the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York.

[195] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of May 1801 at the Alms House

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Joshua Barker Jotham Post Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Jacob J Arden John Nitchie Henry Verveelen Nichs Carnier John P Ritter Philip Ten Eyck

Assists

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House and Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that

they had examined the Acc[ts] of the Commissioners as to their Receipts & Expenditures the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right viz[t]

Those of the Alms House amount[s] to	£3524: 8: 7
D[o] of the Bridewell	608: 8: 3

An Estimate for the ensuing Quarter was presented by the Comm[iss]rs & agreed to as follows

For the Alms House	£4000:—:—
For the Bridewell	£400:—:—

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] for payment thereof accordingly

The Board took into consideration the Memorial of W[m] De Peyster for compensation for his Services formerly as Treas[r] of the B[d] of Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell and the same was rejected.

[196] On a suggestion that Daniel Kemper one of the Weigh Masters irregularly executed the Duties of that Office the B[d] direct that he attend on Monday next to answer &[c]

The Clerk presented to the Board the Assigned Lease of Martin Morison late Collector of the 7[th] W[d] to this B[d] with *and* an Assignment thereon endorsed from this B[d] to James Dobbin which was approved & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed to be delivered on his complying with the Terms of Sale.

A Petition of W[m] Thomas relative to his Water Lot at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the S[t] Commiss[rs]

A Petition for paving E[t] Barley S[t] was read & referred to the S[t] Commiss[rs]

A Petition of James Amory complaining of the want of a Road to pass to his Land on the Commons was read & referred to the S[t] Commiss[rs]

On reading a Petition of Rob[t] Lylburn the B[d] determine that an Allowance be made him for any deficiency in his Common Land Lot purchased at Auction which may reduce it less than it was sold for.

Ordered that Christ[r] Hughes be permitted to take up Roosevelt S[t] to lay Drains to lead the Bye Water from his Cellars.

Ordered that the S[t] Commiss[rs] take Order for repair[s] Roosevelt S[t] Sewer

Ordered that a quarterly Return of all the Inhabitants in the Alms H[s] be made to the B[d] at their Meetings at the Alms House.

[197] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$456
issd	Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquest.....	$39 50/100

Ordered that the Committee for superintends the Sale of the Common Lands be authorized in their discretion to purchase the Lot of Ground adjoining the Corner Lot belonging to this Bd on the West side of Pecks Slip

A Petition for paving the Street on the Et side of Wall Street Slip was referred to the St Commissrs

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday May 11th 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jotham Post		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		Philip Ten Eyck	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	

Ordered that the Clerk notify the Assessors in the several Wards that it is necessary that they should without delay proceed to the making of the Assessment Lists for raising the Monies by Tax required to defray the public Expences of this City the currt Year

Ordered that Isaac Stoutenburgh & David Gardiner be appointed Weighmasters in this City.

[198] The Clerk presented to the Board the Leases to Thomas S Townsend & Timothy Nostrand for the Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to the old landing Place at Brooklyn And to Jonathan Titus from Catharine Slip to Sands's Wharf at Brooklyn for the Term of three Years from the first instant which together with their Bonds for the performance of the Covenants in the said Leases were read & approved & [it] was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to be delivd on their executing the counterparts & the Bonds respectively.

A Deed to Robert G Boyd of the Lot conveyed to this Board by Martin Morrison late Collector in the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward for the arrearages of Taxes due from him was read & approved And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto subscribed by Mr Mayor to be delivered on payment of the consideration Money

Ordered that the Street Commissrs enquire into the State of Greenwich Street from the South side of Provoost Street to the South side of Laight Street & report to the Bd on the expediency of paving it

Ordered that Richard Varick Esq^{r} be permitted to make Vaults & Areas as well in front as on the side of his House he intends building on the Corner of Broad way & Robinson Streets.

A request of Stephen Coles & Son to take up part of Ferry Street to lay Drains from their Lots was read & granted on condition that they put the Street in good order

Ordered that the Street Commissioners enquire into the State of that Street & report what is further necessary to be done.

[199] A Petition for continuing Roosevelt Street Sewer farther towards the River was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

A Petition of James Hague Master of the Ship Amelia for Relief on a Suit bro't ag^{t} him for landing Passengers contrary to Law was read & granted on the usual Terms

Ordered that W^{m} Russel 5th W^{d} Mason be appointed a Fireman to Hook & Ladder C^{o} N^{o} 2 vice Richard Russel dec^{d}

Jacob Hauptman Jun^{r} 5th W^{d} Printer to Engine N^{o} 15th vice Martin Morrison removed

Alex^{r} Slott 5th W^{d} Carver to Engine N^{o} 24 vice Robert Carter resigned

Ordered that an additional Peace Officer be employed for the same length of time & on the same allowance of Pay as those at the Battery & Park to attend in the old Greenwich Lane & the Neighborhood to prevent breaches of the Sabbath.

Ordered that Thomas Warren be permitted to take up part of Maiden Lane to drain the bye Water from his Cellar.

The S^{t} Commissioners to whom was referred the Petitions of Sam^{l} L Mitchell & others for the paving of Charlotte Street from Division to Cherry Streets—of Jacob Appley & others for paving Pell Street from the Bowery Lane to Mott Street & the Petition of George Ship & others for paving Bayard Street from the Bowery Lane to Rynders Street, Report that the Prayers of the Petitioners ought to be granted.

And thereupon Ordinances for the paving of the said Streets were passed by the Board accordingly.

[200] Application was made by Richard Varick Esq^{r} as Owner of the Right of Soil of the breadth of one hundred and eighty eight feet six Inches, Parcel of the Land under the Water of Hudson River situate in the late West now the fourth Ward of this City, in front of & contiguous to the Wharf or Dock called Deys Dock (which was granted under the Common Seal of this City to Dirick Dey on the 14th day of October 1743) for a Grant to him of the Land under the

Water of Hudson River in front of his Right of Soil aforesaid agreably to the Report of Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman & Gabriel Furman as a Committee of this Board on the 12th October 1795 in his favor; And that until the Terms of such Grant to him shall be adjusted & a Grant to him made pursuant thereto he be permitted to sink Piers & build Bridges upon a range with the Corporation Wharf to the northward thereof and to form a Bason on & in front of his Right of Soil aforesaid for his own use & emolument.

Whereupon the Board determine that the said Richard Varick be permitted to sink such Piers & to build Bridges for the purpose of forming a Bason agreable to his application as aforesaid.

[201] A Deed from Anthony Lispenard & Effingham Embree of a parcel of Land for the purpose of a Street of fifty feet in breadth from Hudson Street to the Ground claimed by John Quackenboss,* was presented to the Board & ordered to be filed & recorded.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Wm Van Waert for the City Watch	$213 6/100
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	$213 6/100
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	$155 31/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	$155 31/100
issd	The Clerks of the Election for Govr &c &c	$108
issd	The Peace Officers for attends the same Election	$42
issd	Richard Hartshorn for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4

Pursuant to the Statute entitled "An Act for taking a Census in this State" passed the 7th April 1801 the Board proceeded to the appointment of two Persons in each Ward of this City for the purposes mentioned in the said Statute and the following Persons were appointed accordingly

For the 1st Ward	for the second Ward
William G Forbes	Cornelius Wynkoop
John H Sickels	George Harsen
for the 3d Ward	for the 4th Ward
David Wolfe	Jacob Abramse
John Harrison	Benjamin Romaine
for the 5th Ward	for the 6th Ward
Jotham Post	Henry Verveelen
David Harriot	John Pier Groshon

For the 7th Ward

Jacob Boos
William Willing

* Marginal note reads *Leonard Street.*—ED.

Ordered that the same Persons be employed in their respective Wards to make & return a new List of Persons qualified to serve as Pettit Jurors at the Supreme Court the Circuit & Oyer & Terminer Courts & the Mayors Court & Sessions. in this City.

[202] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of May 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Mangle Minthorn	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
Joshua Barker		John P Ritter	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles			
Robert Lenox			

A Request of the Inspectors of the late Election 1st Wd for reimbursement of certain Expences incurred; was read & rejected.

The Clerk presented the engrossed Grant to the United States of the Soil under Water of the East River from high to low Water mark in front of the Land lately purchased by James & Ebenezer Watson, Agents of the United States, of John Jackson at the Walleboght in the Town of Brooklyn on Nassau Island, for the purposes of a Navy Yard; which was read & approved by the Board & Ordered to be sealed with the Common Seal & subscribed by Mr Mayor to be by him delivered to Mr James Watson

Petitions of James Niel, James Webb, Solomon Gorham, Joseph Marschalk, & Samuel B Spencer & Israel Bullock Masters of Vessels praying Relief agt Suits brought on the Law for regulating the landing of Passengers were respectively read & granted on the usual Terms.

[203] A Request of the Society of People called Quakers to strew Tanners Bark in the Street opposite to their Meeting House to prevent Interruption from the Noise of Carriages during their annual Meeting was read & granted

A Petition to sink a Well at the Corner of Laight & Greenwich Street was read & referred to the St Commissrs

On reading a Report of the Street Commissrs Ordinances were passed for paving the following Streets viz[t]

Greenwich Street from the present Pavement to Laight Street.

The Street on the East side of Wall Street Slip from Front Street to South Street

Henry Street from Fayette Street to Catharine Street.

And Fletcher Street from Front Street to South Street.

The Committee who were appointed to attend the sale of the Lot of Thomas Farmer adjoining the Corporation Lot on the West side of Pecks Slip & in their discretion to purchase for the use of the Corporation Report that they have made the said Purchase for the sum of £3100—one third part whereof to be paid on delivery of the Deed & the residue in one Year with Interest—the above Lot is thirty seven & an half feet in breadth on Front Street with a Tenement which at present lets for £145 p^{r} Annum

Selah Strong
John Nitchie

Ordered that on the delivery of a proper Deed for the said Lot M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasury for payment of the whole of the consideration Money.

[204] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

" The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee on the part of Newtown in relation to the establishing of a Ferry from Horns Hook to Long Island

Report that they have met the said Committee from Newtown and after considerable discussion of the subject they declined having any agency in or giving any facility to the Corporation in establishing the said Ferry, except that the Corporation would admit the said Town to participate in the emoluments to be derived therefrom, which your Committee informed them would not be consented to by the Corporation and upon their Request that your Committee would make some specific proposition upon the subject, they did propose that the Corporation would open the necessary Road upon this Island and establish the Ferry provided that the Inhabitants of Newtown had no objection to their building a ferry Stairs from the Landing at the Road leading down at the River at Hallets cove to which the Newtown Committee declared their dissent and that they would oppose the building such stairs

Your Committee further report that Samuel Blackwell and Cornelius Rapaljie own *o*[illegible] about five Acres of Land which forms Hallets point and appears to be the most eligible spot for establishing the proposed ferry at, and that these proprietors have proposed to sell

the same for twelve hundred [205] Pounds which appears to your Committee to be more than the said piece of Land is worth but that it would be proper for the Corporation to buy the same whenever it can be done at a suitable and fair price

Your Committee further report that in their opinion the Road laid out near to Horns Hook ought to be immediately opened and a proper ferry Stairs erected on this side of the River. and that the said Ferry should then be Rented out for three Years at the highest price that can be obtained for the same.

New York 18th May 1801.

Jn° B. Coles
Selah Strong
Mangle Minthorne
John Bogert
Rich^d Furman

Ordered that the Street Commissioners take order for the opening of the said Road, making the Ferry Stairs & the letting out of the said Ferry agreable to the above Report

And that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay the
iss^d Street Commiss^rs the Sum of $375 to be by them paid or
iss^d tendered to Archibald Gracie & the Sum of $1500 to be paid or tendered as af^d to the Devisees of Nicholas Cruger dec^d for the Land taken of them respectively for the said
iss^d Road And also the further Sum of $1500 to be paid or tendered as af^d to "The Corporation of the United German Lutheran Churches in the City of New York" for the Ground taken of them to widen Rector Street agreable to certain Proceedings had on the 29th Oct^r last in the Mayors Court of this City.

[206] Ordered that Zeno Archer of the 3^d W^d Merch^t & Henry Lyon of the 4th Ward Upholsterer be appointed Firemen to Engine N° 24 vice Cornelius Warner & George J Warner resigned

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the subject of Piers to be extended into the East River from South Street & after some time spent thereon it was referred to M^r Recorder to examine the Charter of this City & the Acts of the Legislature on the Subject & for his Opinion thereon

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas^r to pay.

iss^d Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^r Salary & Disbursem^ts..... $57^{78}/_{100}$
iss^d Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil..... $411^{20}/_{100}$

Resolved that the Commissioner of Excise of this City and County be requested from and after the first day of June next to receive from all persons applying to keep a publick Inn or Tavern within this City all Monies as well for the Licence as for the Excise and pay the same (except Six shillings for each Licence allowed to be paid to the Mayor for his trouble and Attention in that business) to the Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City together with the Monies to be recd by him for the Excise rendering a distinct Acct thereof to him; And further that for receiving and paying such additional Sum over and above the excise he be allowed two and a half per Cent for his trouble

[207] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of May 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Joshua Barker Selah Strong Mangle Minthorn John Bogert	Esqrs Alda	John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Henry Verveelen Philip Brasher John P Ritter Philip Ten Eyck

The following Award was presented to the Board & read vizt

"We the subscribers being appointed Arbitrators by the honorable Common Council of the one part & Robert Gilchrist of the other "to determine the Sum to be allowed for the Ground belonging to the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt decd & taken to improve Greenwich Street" Do award and value the aforesaid Ground as follows vizt

The Lot of Ground in Greenwich Street two thousand five hundred Dolls	$2500
The Ground taken for Greenwich Street Eight hundred & seventy five Dollars &	875

Interest on the same from 5th at the rate of five P Ct P Annm

New York May 22d 1801

Wm Rhinelander
Geo. Lindsay
Josha Sands."

Whereupon the Bd determined that the Interest mentioned in the said Award ought to commence at the time of bringing the Ejectment for the said Ground And was Ordered that on the executing & delivery of proper Releases [208] to this Board for the said Ground Mr

Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer for payment of the said Monies.

Ordered that M[r] Recorder take Measures to compel the Commiss[rs] named in the Act of the Legislature for widening Beaver Lane in the first Ward to the execution of the Duties required of them by the said Law.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 3[d] Ward & the Assist[t] of the 5[th] Ward be a Committee to treat with the Owner for the purchase of the Lot which obstructs the continuing of Bancker Street into Pearl Street

The S[t] Commiss[rs] represented to the Board that previous to the regulating of Leonard Street it would be of public utility to have that Street opened to the width of fifty feet from Hudson Street to the Broadway; that from the late Conveyance of Anthony Lispenard & Effingham Embree to this Board it appeared that they had conveyed that breadth to the Ground of John Quackenbos, where the said Street is but forty feet. The Commiss[rs] suggest that it would be proper to appoint a Committee to treat with M[r] Quackenbos for so much of his Ground as may be necessary to continue the said Street of the breadth of fifty feet to the Broad Way.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the 5[th] & the Ald[n] of the 4[th] Wards be a Committee to treat with M[r] Quackenbos accordingly.

[209] A Petition for digging out Henry Street from Catharine Street to George Street was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs]

A Petition of Anthony Brown Collector of Taxes in the 6[th] Ward stating that he will not be able to compleat the collection of the Taxes by the time allowed by Law and therefore pray[s] that the Board would accept his Notes for the deficiency, payable in 30, 60 & 90 Days, with such security as the Board shall approve: was read & granted.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

The Committee to whom was refered the Petition of Joshua Sands praying a Grant of the Soil between High and Low water mark in front of Lands in the Town of Brooklyn Nassau Island, Report they have examined the merits of the application of the Petitioner and are of opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to grant the prayer thereof.

They therefore beg Leave to recommend the making out a grant for the Soil from high to low water mark Subject to Quit Rent of one Cent for each foot fronting on the River forever hereafter

Provided the said Joshua Sands first Conveys to the Corporation one Lot of Ground on the Northwest Corner of Main and Water

Streets of the following Dimensions &c thirty feet on Main Street and forty feet on Water Street. and that he also widens Main Street twenty five feet from water Street to the Extent of any Improvements that hereafter may be made into River and Conveys the same to the Corporation for Publick purposses.

New York 25th May 1801

John Bogert
Selah Strong
Philip Brasher
Richd Furman

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

Nichs Lawrence for the City Watchmen	$213 6/100
Wm Van Waert for the like	$213 6/100
Magnus Beekman for the like	$155 31/100
Hugh Gobel for the like	$155 31/100
John D Miller for Lamp Oil	$776 47/100

[210] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Jotham Post John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck John Nitchie Henry Verveelen Nicholas Carmer	Assistts

The follows Report was read & filed.

" In Compliance with the Order of the Common Council, referring it to me to State the Title of the Corporation to the Land intended to be Occupied for Piers in the East River, I have examined the Charters of the City as far as they concern that Subject and beg leave to Report.

That the Charter granted by Govr Dongan on the 22d of April 1686. gives to the Corporation " All the vacant Land on Manhattan Island extending to Low Water Mark."

That in Addition to the above grant, Queen Anne by Patent dated the 19th day of April 1708 gives to them "All the Vacant Land upon Long Island, between high and Low Water Mark, from the Wallabout to Red Hook"; and that King George the Second by Charter dated the 15th day of January 1730, confirmed the former Grants to the City and gave the Corporation " all the Land under water to the extent

of four hundred feet below low water mark from Bastavers Killitie to the South side of the Street running from the Parade to Hudsons River, and from a place at the North side of Corlaers Hook to White Hall."

That upon these several Charters the Grants of the Corporation to Individuals, reserving Quit [211] Rents have been founded; And that neither the Act of the Legislature passed the 3d of April 1798 nor any other of their Acts, has invested the Corporation with any Title to the Land lying beyond the Limits above mentioned nor with any right to impose a Quit Rent upon such Land.

All which is respectfully Submitted

New York 1st June 1801. Rich: Harison

A Letter from Anthony Dey to Mr Mayor informing him that prosecutions had been commenced against several Persons for retailing Liquors in Booths on the Harlem Race Ground in violation of Law & requesting the direction of the Board on the Subject Whereupon the Board determined that they would not interfere in the Business.

An Ordinance was passed requiring John Murray Junr to fill up the opening in the Pier on the East side of Wall Street Slip, to prevent the Earth passing through and lodging in the Slip, by the 1st July next under the Penalty of $100.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs report what Measures have been taken for filling up the Water Lots & making of South Street from the Fly Market Slip to the Wall Street Slip.

Ordered that Adam Finch Junr 4th Wd Innholder be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 6 vice Wm L'Hommedieu decd

And Bartholomew Smith 6th Wd Cartman to Engine No 8 additional

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nicholas Carmer on Acct	$800
issd	The St Commissrs on Acct	$1000
issd	The Police Justices for St Domingo Refugees	$100

[212] The Treasurer stated to the Board that the Ballance due from Abraham Van Gelder Junior Collector of taxes in the Seventh Ward Amounted to $442 $^{25}/_{100}$. And that from Anthony Brown Collector of Taxes in the sixth Ward to $3,200 $^{43}/_{100}$. that Mr Van Gelder proposed to give his Note endorsed by his father Abraham Van Gelder for the said Ballance payable in thirty days and that Mr Brown proposed to give his three Notes for his Ballance payable in thirty, Sixty and Ninety days endorsed by Anthony Steenback and James Riker all

which was approved by the Board and in order to enable the Treasurer to Settle his Tax Accounts the Board order that the amount of the said two Ballances be transferred to the Revenue Accounts.

The Board passed the following Ordinance

"A Law for the Appointment of a person to Attend to the due execution of the Laws touching the Police of the City of New York and to prescribe his Duties

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened—that the Common Council shall from time to time appoint and employ a discreet and intelligent person to attend to the due execution of all such Acts of the Legislature as respect the Police of this City and all such Bye Laws or Ordinances which now are or hereafter shall be made and ordained by the Common Council for the Rule and Government of this City, And to that end it shall be the Duty of such person daily to pass through the several Streets and along the Several Slips and Wharves in this City to inspect and observe in general all infractions or violations of any or either of such Acts of the Legislature or Bye Laws or Ordinances and particularly all encroachments on or obstructions impediments or Nuisances in the Streets or Slips or on the Wharves in this City or other Violations of the Laws for the Regulation of the Streets and preventing Nuisances, Also to examine all idle and disorderly persons vagrants and Beggars which may be found in the Streets and cause them to be dealt with according to Law and to do and execute all such other matters and things touching the premises as the Common Council or the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City shall order or direct in Conformity to such Acts Laws and Ordinances [213] And that all such fines or forfeitures which shall be recovered by such person to be appointed as aforesaid shall go to the use of the Corporation of this City to be Accounted for to the Common Council every three Months or oftener if by them the same shall be required And that the said person shall be allowed for his Services at the rate of $500 per Annum to be paid quarter Yearly. John S Delamater High Constable of this City was Appointed to perform the duties in the aforegoing Ordinance mentioned.

The Committee to whom was referred the further Sale of the Common Lands Report that the following Lots were Sold viz[t]

No	84	Mr James Boland	$310
	116	John Titus	775
	122	do	775
	128	do	625

Nº 132	G. F. Toderhorst	$300
137	J. H Brown	300
141	David Wagstaff	325
143	dº	300
145	John P Ryerss	300
147	dº	275
190	James Watson Junr	675
124	John Titus	1,175
118	Martin Hoffman	1,375
176	Walter Bowne	200
182	John Tom	340
	Total Sales	$8050

Recd ten Pr Cent Cash on the above		$805
Deduct Coms by Agreement	$50.	
United States duty ¼ PC. on 8050	20.12	
Coffee house fees 62½ Cents on 15 Lotts each	9.37	
		79.49
	Nett Amt	725.51

Errors Excepted

New York 1st June 1801 Leond Bleecker

N. B. Lott Nº 134 sold to Mr Cravningshield for $600 as inclosed in fence he declines taking because there was no inclosure, Lott 174 Sold to Amasa Jackson for $270 he will not take unless the Lott is particularly marked out to him—These two with Nº 110, 151, 194 & 130 are Advertised for Sale on Friday next the 5th Instant.

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Ordered that the Deeds for the said Lots be immediately prepared & sealed & subscribed by Mr Mayor & delivered to the Purchasors on their executing the counterparts & conforming to the Conditions of Sale

[214] Mr Mayor withdrew from the Board & Mr Recorder took the Chair.

When a Memorial of Richard Varick Esqr on the subject of his Water Lots on Hudson River was read & referred to the Aldn of the 2d 3d 6th & 7th Wards & the Assistt of the 3d Wd

Resolved and Ordered that the several and respective Owners of the Water Lots fronting and bounded on South Street from the White Hall Slip to the Broad Street Slip be and they are hereby required to cause to be made, sunk and Compleated under the inspection and direction of the Common Council, one Pier on the Northeast side of the White Hall Slip to range with the said Slip, and also one other

Pier on the Southwest side of the Broad Street Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip, That the several and respective owners of the Water Lots fronting and Bounded as aforesaid from Coenties Slip to the Old Slip be in like manner required to cause one Pier to be made Sunk and Compleated on the Northeast side of Coenties Slip to range with the said Slip and also one other Pier on the Southwest side of the Old Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip—That the several and respective Owners of the Water Lots fronting and bounded as aforesaid from the Wall Street Slip to the Fly Market Slip be in like manner required to cause one other Pier to be made sunk and Compleated on the Northeast side of the Wall Street Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip and also one other Pier on the Southwest side of the Fly Market Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip, That the said Piers shall extend two hundred feet into the East River of the breadth of thirty feet each to be formed of three Blocks the outermost Block to be thirty feet by forty feet and the two inner block[s] to be thirty feet square with three Bridges of thirty three feet four inches each, That the several and respective Piers be commenced on or before the first day of July next and compleated on or before the first day of November 1802. And that this Board shall and will make Grants of the said Piers to the owners of the said Water Lots According to Law reserving in the said Grants the exclusive right in the Corporation of this City of wharfage and Slippage on the side of each Pier adjoining a Public Slip

[215] And that the Piers and Bridges be in all respects Considered as Public Streets or Highways and to be maintained and kept in repair by the Grantees their Heirs or Assigns,

City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Thursday the 11th day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Mangle Minthorn Selah Strong John Bogert Joshua Barker	} Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Philip Ten Eyck Nicholas Carmer John P Ritter John Nitchie Henry Verveelen	} Assistts

The Committee on the further Sales of the Common Lands made the following additional Report vizt

" Sales of Common Land Lotts by order of the Corporation of the City of New York on the 5th June 1801.

No 110	to George McKay	$490
130	John Titus	825
134	Henry Post	425
151	John P Schermerhorn	600
174	John Patrick	160
194	James Walker	355
		$2855

Recd 10 P Ct on $2500		
James Walker not having yet paid		$250
Deduct Coffee House fee	3 75/100	
United States Duty on $2855 @ ¼	7 13/100	10 88/100
Ballce due Corporan		$239 12/100

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Ordered that Mr Bleecker pay the sd Ballce into the Treasury.

[216] Ordered that Deeds for the said Lots be immediately prepared & sealed to be subscribed by Mr Mayor & delivd to the Purchasors on their executing the counterparts & conforming to the conditions of Sale.

Mr Mayor signified to the Board his intention of appointing Richard Smith (one [of] the City Marshalls) to the Office of a Deputy Clerk of the Markets, vice John S Delamater, High Constable, who is appointed to attend to the execution of the Corporation Bye Laws & Ordinances; Which was approved by the Board.

On reading a Memorial of the Owners of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip the Board determine that all the Piers, mentioned in the Report of the Committee of the 12th January last, may be made & compleated agreable to the said Report and the Ordinance of the 1st Instant; but that the said Ordinance be considered compulsory only as it respects the two Piers in each Block adjoining the Slips.

A Memorial of Henry Dawson by Nicholas Everson his Atty for an Allowance for certain Repairs & improvements made to the Ferry House at Brooklyn during his Occupancy; was read & rejected

On a Representation of the Chief Enginier the Board Order that eight additional Fire Men be allowed to Engine No 3.

A Petition of Samuel Bowne Junr for Relief against a Suit brought on the Law for prevention of fire & regulating of Buildings was read And the Board [217] determined that the only relief which ought to be

given in this Case was that execution ought to be stayed for six Months.

A Petition of Peter Stuyvezandt for a Grant of the Soil from High to low Water Mark in the Et River in front of his Land was read & the Board determined that they would grant the said Soil from high Water Mark to within two feet of low Water Mark on such Terms & Conditions as shall be agreed on.

A Request of Anthony Lispenard to know in what manner & direction certain Streets in the 6th Ward will be laid out; was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Abm Collard for permission to sink a rain Water Cistern in the Street adjoining his House in the 6th Wd was read & granted provided it be made of Brick & arched & done under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

On the Representation of Anthony Lispenard & others An Ordinance was passed, authorizing the laying of Timber in front of the foot or side Walks, instead of Stone in all new Streets which shall hereafter be ordered to be paved.

Whereas many Persons have improved & occupy Water Lots fronting the East River who have not obtained Grants for the same Ordered that the Treasurer report the number & names of all such Persons who are in possession of such Water Lots & the times they have so occupied the same to this Board [218] on Monday the 22d Instant

Ordered that Mr Recorder take proper Measures by Bill in Equity or otherwise to enforce the payment of the Money expended by the Corporation in filling up the Water Lot lately belonging to Henry Cuyler deceased between Coenties & the Old Slips.

The Street Commissioners reported that they had, had a conversation with John Quackenbos on the subject of the Referrence, for part of his Lot to compleat Leonard Street of the breadth of fifty feet to the Broad Way, and that the lowest Price he would take for ten feet in breadth by 174 in Depth, being the quantity requisite, was eight hundred & fifty six Pounds That —— Duryee has a Lease for 31 feet in breadth in the Rear on Leonard Street, seventeen Years of which is unexpired & on which two wooden Tenements are erected & that he asks for the Tenements & Lease five hundred & fifty Pounds Whereupon the Board determined that the said Sums demanded as afd were too high & ought not to be acceeded to

On a Report of the S[t] Commissioners the Board consent that the neighborhood sink a Well in Greenwich Street at the Corner of Laight Street under the direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the W[d]

The S[t] Commiss[rs] report "that they have examined the situation of the [219] Block between the Coffee House Slip and the Fly Market That Bowne, Eddy and others are filling in their respective Lots; but from the quantity of Earth requisite, it will require a length of time to Compleat the same, That the Ordinance for Compleating that distance has expired some time since, That M[r] John Murray Junior has been served with the Order for Compleating the Wharf on the side of the Coffee House Slip when Compleat. the Heirs of Kip's Estate and Thomas Marston will immediately Commence filling in under the Bridge in front of their respective Lots.

The S[t] Commiss[rs] report "that agreable to the directions of the Board they have examined the Situation of the Water Lot belonging to the Corporation at Pecks Slip and are of Opinion it would be a public convenience to improve the same, either by carrying Piers on each side with a Bulkhead in front or carrying out the Pier on the Slip side with a Bulkhead—Your Commissioners are induced to believe it would be most for the Interest of the Board to compleat the latter, as it is probable, in the course of the next Year, the permanent Line will be compleated from Burling to Pecks Slips and supercede the necessity of a Pier on the southwest side of the Lot—To compleat the whole would cost about £3200, or the one Pier & Bulkhead £2400.

Whereupon the Board determine that it will be most expedient to carry out the two Piers agreable to the proposition in the said Report And that Ald[n] Strong with the S[t] Commissioners take order for the due execution of the said Work accordingly

Ordered that Nicholas G Carmer be appointed a Weighmaster in this City

[220] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	$213 $^{6}/_{100}$
iss[d]	W[m] Van Waert for the like	213 $^{6}/_{100}$
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	155 $^{31}/_{100}$
iss[d]	Hugh Gobel for the like	155 $^{31}/_{100}$
iss[d]	Tho[s] Hazard for lighting Lamps	232 $^{29}/_{100}$
iss[d]	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	1180 $^{12}/_{100}$
iss[d]	George Furman for repairs Lamps	50 $^{19}/_{100}$
iss[d]	Edw[d] Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	28 $^{49}/_{100}$
iss[d]	M: Ward & C[o] for print[g] Bye Laws	77

issd	Nichs Carmer for Repairs to Alms Hs	£177: 2: 4
issd	the same for the like to Bridewell	73: 6: 5
issd	the same for the Gaol	18:12: 2
issd	the same for City Hall	56:14: 9
issd	the same for the Battery	36: 2:—
issd	the same for Docks & Slips	368:19: 7
issd	the same for Watch Houses	74:10: 1
issd	the same for Wells & Pumps	308:12: 3
issd	the same for the Park	166:11: 3
issd	the same for Belle Vue Hospital	15: 0: 0
issd	the same for the public burys Gd	165: 7: 8
issd	the same for Engine Houses	79: 8:10
issd	the same for cartage &c	3:15: 3
issd	the same for his Services as Supt	124:16:—
issd	the same on Acct of Wells & Pumps	$1000

[221] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 12th day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Recorder

John B Coles	} Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	} Assists
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		Philip Brasher	

Mr Mayor laid before the Bd the follows Letter from the Health Commissr vizt

"Health Office June 13th 1801. Sir/ It is well known to you that in the Course of the last Month Not less than sixty sick was Landed at the Marine Hospital from the Ships Venus and Eagle—The State Buildings at the Establishment are by no means Calculated to Accomodate more than fifty sick, the Commissioners of health had therefore to provide Temporary Sheds and Tents for the Extra Number—there are at present remaining of the Number Landed from the above mentioned Ships thirty Sick, in Addition to this Number there has been Landed from the Ship Penolope one hundred Sick that is Sixty more than can be provided for in the Hospital—In Addition to this mortifying Circumstance there will be wanted an Asylum to Cover three hundred Passengers Men, Women and Children from the inclemency of the Season, the Quarantine Laws expressly injoins that no person shall be permitted to leave the Quarantine Ground untill the expiration of a discretinal time to prevent the Danger which might arise from their Sickning in Consequence of their having been

on Board an infected Vessel, the funds Allowed by the State are insufficient to make the Necessary Accomodations, the Commissioners are therefore under the Necessity of applying to the Corporation to Aid them in the Erection of some Temporary Buildings to Shelter [222] those unhappy People from the Inclemency of the Weather.

I have the Honor to be your

Most Obedient Servant

Rich[d] Varick Esq[r] Mayor Rich[d] Furman C. H. C.

Whereupon the Board determined and Ordered the *the* Sum iss[d] of $1500. be advanced to the Health Commissioners for the purposes mentioned in the said Letter, in expectation that the Legislature will provide for the repayment thereof. And that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay the s[d] Money accordingly.

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